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February 28, 2007

Mr. Carter Stein
Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
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Re: Completion of request for use of Separation by Code system

Dear Mr. Stein

Program and Project Coordination as listed below has taken place for the WDFW Lower Snake River Compensation Plan hatchery evaluations project. We would like to finalize this request with the study coordination for placement of PIT tag codes in the Separation by Code (SbyC) system. This request to use the SbyC system did not require any additional effort for the hydro system or it's cooperators. Listed below are the people we have contacted to satisfy coordination requirements, and their response is attached at the end of this letter.

Program and Project Coordination

January 22, 2007

Sent an e-mail to the following individuals at each of the Agencies/Facilities to let them know our intent of use for SbyC system, and provide time for them 12 days to comment.

- Charles Morrill (WDFW)
- Paul Wagoner (NOAA)
- Dave Hurson (COE – Walla Walla District)
- Robert Willis (COE – Portland District)
- Bili Spurgeon (COE – Lower Monumental Dam)
- Brad Eby (COE – McNary Dam)
- Terry Hurd (COE – John Day Dam)
- Jon Rerecich (COE – Bonneville Dam)
- Rick Martinson (PSMFC – Smolt Monitoring Office)
- Leslie Schaffer (NOAA Fisheries)

I received a response on February 8, 2007 from Paul Wagoner (see attachment 1). No objections were given to the request. Since that time I've been waiting to receive the full complement of PIT tags I ordered so I could construct a tag list for Dave Marvin. I've now done that and the list of tag codes will be sent to Dave Marvin today.

Study Coordination

Dave Marvin has reserved action codes that WDFW would like to place into the SbyC system. The actual tag codes were sent to Dave Marvin on February 28, 2007. Listed below are the action requests and approximate number of PIT tags for each study group. Fish are not anticipated to be released before April 9th, 2007.

Requested Actions at Specific SbyC Facilities

Location of Actions: Lower Monumental, McNary Dams

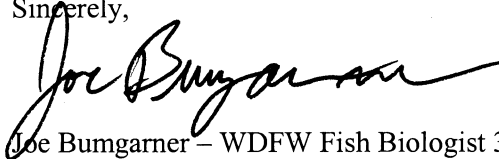
Duration and Start Date: Entire Season SbyC is operational in 2007

General Action Request: Place all tag codes (100%) for actions 1, 2, 3 & 4 into “**Monitor Mode**”, No Action is taken (i.e. fish are treated like they do not have a PIT tag)

Action #	# of PIT Tags	Group Description
1	8,500	Tucannon River endemic stock summer steelhead
2	5,000	Tucannon River Lyons Ferry stock summer steelhead
3	8,500	Touchet River endemic stock summer steelhead
4	5,000	Walla Walla River Lyons Ferry stock summer steelhead
5	5,000	Touchet River Lyons Ferry stock summer steelhead

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at 509-382-1710.

Sincerely,

 2/28/07

Joe Bumgarner – WDFW Fish Biologist 3, Steelhead Evaluations

Attachment 1

February 8, 2007

Dear Joe,

Thank you for sending the information on Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife's Sort by Code (SbyC) request for the evaluation of summer steelhead released from the Lyons Ferry Hatchery. FPAC members have reviewed the request and there were no objections from any of the members. There were no conflicts that we could discern with other tagging studies.

Please regard this e-mail as concurrence from FPAC to proceed with the SbyC request and complete coordination with any remaining agencies as outlined in the SbyC request process on the PTAGIS website.

If you have any further questions please contact me.

Paul Wagner - FPAC chairperson

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