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ENVIRONMENT, FISH AND WILDLIFE

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In reply refer to: EC-4

To: People interested in the Columbian White-tailed Deer Translocation Project

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has prepared a draft environmental assessment (EA) for the proposed Columbian White-tailed Deer Translocation Project. The EA describes the project, discusses the environmental impacts the project would create, and lists mitigation measures that would help lessen impacts. This letter requests your comments on the EA and outlines the next steps for the project.

How to Comment: The EA can be viewed at the project website at www.bpa.gov/goto/CWTDtranslocation. If you requested a hard copy, it is enclosed. If you would like to request a hard copy (about 40 pages), please call our toll-free document request line at 1-800-622-4520. Please leave a message with the project name, your name, and complete mailing address.

Please send your comments on the EA by **November 23, 2018** and reference the CWTD Translocation Project. We will consider all comments submitted during the comment period and provide responses to substantive comments in the final EA. In addition, comments will be available on the project website. There are several ways to comment:

Mail:	Bonneville Power Administration Public Affairs – DKE-7 P.O. Box 14428 Portland, OR 97291-4428	Toll-free:	800-622-4519
		FAX:	503-230-4019
		Online:	www.bpa.gov/comment

Schedule: The schedule for the EA process is as follows:

Comment scoping period	August 23 thru September 24, 2018
Draft EA available for public comment	October 23 thru November 23 2018
Final EA	November 2018
Finding of No Significant Impact (if warranted)	November 2018
If decision to proceed, translocations begin	December 2019

For More Information: If you have any questions regarding the environmental process, please contact me at 503-230-5564 or email at cjhamel@bpa.gov, or Rob Shull, Contract Environmental Protection Specialist, First Tek, at rwshull@bpa.gov, or 503-230-3962.

Thank you for your interest in our work.

Sincerely,

/s/ Chad J. Hamel

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Enclosures:

Draft EA (if requested)

Comment Form

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