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## To: People interested in the Mill Creek Fish Passage Project

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has decided to fund concrete panel fabrication to support ongoing implementation of the Mill Creek Fish Passage Project in Walla Walla, Washington. This letter describes BPA's decision, the adoption of Unitate States Army Corps of Engineers' (USACE) final EA, and how to obtain additional information.

**Decision:** BPA has decided to fund the manufacture and delivery of concrete roughness panels to support ongoing implementation of the Mill Creek Fish Passage Project located in the City of Walla Walla in Washington.

**Environmental Review:** The project was analyzed in an EA prepared by USACE - *Mill Creek Fish Passage Project Section 408 Permissions Walla Walla, Washington Environmental Assessment.* Under the Council on Environmental Quality's (CEQ) regulations for implementing the National Environmental Policy Act, BPA is adopting the USACE EA (DOE/EA-2162) which describes and analyzes BPA-funded activities. BPA is issuing a FONSI based on the EA, and has made a decision to proceed with the funding of concrete panel fabrication.

**Copies Available:** The final EA and FONSI are available on BPA's website at <u>www.bpa.gov/goto/MillCreekFishPassage</u>. If you would like a copy mailed to you, please call our toll-free document request line at 1-800-622-4520. Leave a request naming this project and giving your name and complete mailing address.

**For More Information:** If you have questions regarding the environmental process, please contact me at 503-230-5922, or by e-mail at <u>*cdmcclory@bpa.gov*</u>. You can also reach us toll free at 1-800-622-4519.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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