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In reply refer to: KEC-4

To: People interested in the Crooked River Valley Rehabilitation Project

Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has prepared a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Crooked River Valley Rehabilitation Project in Idaho County, Idaho. This letter describes BPA's decision, the project schedule, how to obtain copies of documents, and how to contact us if you have questions. If you requested a copy of the ROD, it is enclosed.

Decision: BPA has decided to fund implementation of Alternative 2 identified in the Crooked River Valley Rehabilitation Project Final Environmental Impact Statement (DOE/EIS-0506, June 2015). Alternative 2 consists of: (1) constructing a 6,000 foot temporary bypass channel and temporary access road/levee and, following construction of the channel, removing and decommissioning these structures; (2) regrading approximately 115 acres of floodplain by moving dredge tailings; (3) filling in approximately 10,960 feet of the current channel, reconstructing approximately 7,400 feet of new channel, and constructing more than 2,700 feet of side channels; (4) replanting the valley bottom with native and approved non-native plant species; (5) staging materials and equipment at campgrounds; and (6) monitoring project activities and effectiveness.

Schedule: Project activities in 2015 will include constructing a portion of the temporary bypass channel, access road/levee, and new stream channel; regrading the floodplain, staging materials, and salvaging wood, plants, and sod.

For More Information: The ROD and EIS documents are available on BPA's website: www.bpa.gov/goto/CrookedRiver. If you would like hard copies of these documents, you may call our toll-free document request line at (800) 622-4520 and leave a message with the name of the project and your complete mailing address. If you have questions about this project, you may contact me toll free at (800) 622-4519 or by email at baguirre@bpa.gov.

Thank you for your interest in this project.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure:
Record of Decision