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ENVIRONMENT, FISH AND WILDLIFE

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In reply refer to: ECF-4

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT DETERMINATION

Proposed Action: Mill Creek Fish Passage Project

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Location: City of Walla Walla, Washington

Proposed by: Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)

Description of the Proposed Action: BPA proposes to provide funding toward manufacture and delivery of concrete roughness panels to support the Mill Creek Fish Passage Project in the City of Walla Walla Washington. The panels would increase roughness in the concrete channel, and make resting pools available for returning summer steelhead, bull trout, and spring Chinook.

Class of Action to be Applied (from Subpart D, 10 C.F.R. Part 1021): Protection of cultural resources and fish and wildlife habitat

We have determined that the proposed action is within the class of actions normally requiring an environmental assessment (EA), but not necessarily requiring an environmental impact statement (EIS) as listed in Subpart D of 10 C.F.R. Part 1021. Therefore, we have determined that an EA will be prepared to assess the impacts of the proposed action. On the basis of the analysis in the EA, BPA will prepare a finding of no significant impact and proceed with the action, or will prepare an EIS if the EA reveals the potential for significant environmental impacts.

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