## **Department of Energy**



Bonneville Power Administration P.O. Box 3621 Portland, Oregon 97208-3621

ENVIRONMENT, FISH AND WILDLIFE

January 26, 2018

In reply refer to: EC-4

## To: People interested in the Steigerwald Floodplain Restoration Project

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has prepared a draft environmental assessment (EA) for the proposed Steigerwald Floodplain Restoration Project in Clark County, Wash. The EA describes the project and why it is needed, discusses the anticipated environmental impacts, and lists the mitigation measures that would lessen those impacts. This letter requests your comments on the EA, announces a public meeting, and outlines the next steps for the project.

**How to Comment:** The EA can be viewed at the project website at <a href="https://www.bpa.gov/goto/SteigerwaldFloodplain">www.bpa.gov/goto/SteigerwaldFloodplain</a>. If you requested a hard copy, it is enclosed. If you would like to request a hard copy (about 250 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 February 26, 2018 and reference the Steigerwald Floodplain Restoration 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 Toll-free: 800-622-4519

Public Affairs – DKE-7 **FAX:** 503-230-4019

P.O. Box 14428 Online: www.bpa.gov/comment

Portland, OR 97291-4428

**Public Meeting:** We have scheduled an informal, open-house style meeting to answer questions and accept comments on the EA. We plan on discussing the project designs as well as the EA during the meeting.

February 12, 2018 6:00 – 8:00 pm Port of Camas-Washougal 24 South 'A' Street Washougal, WA 98671

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

Draft EA available for public comment

January 26 – February 26, 2018

Final EA

Finding of No Significant Impact (if warranted)

If decision to build, construction start

June 2018

June 2018

Spring 2019

**For More Information:** If you have questions regarding the environmental process, please contact me at 503-230-4764 or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:jdgoodman@bpa.gov">jdgoodman@bpa.gov</a>. You can also reach us toll free at 1-800-622-4519.

Thank you for your interest in our work.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dave Goodman

Dave Goodman

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## **Enclosures**:

Draft EA (if requested) Comment Form Return Envelope