



Department of Energy

Bonneville Power Administration
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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT PROGRAM

April 15, 2021

In reply refer to: FOIA #BPA-2021-00567-F

Wayne Schumacher

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Dear Mr. Schumacher,

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has received your request for agency records made under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 (FOIA). BPA received your records request on April 9, 2021, and assigned your request tracking number BPA-2021-00567-F. Please use that tracking number in any correspondence with the agency regarding your FOIA request.

Request

“Annual revenue over the past 5 years from the sale of salmon and/or steelhead to commercial businesses/entities at the BPA. Information to include revenue and pounds of fish sold.”

Acknowledgement

BPA has reviewed your request and has determined that it fulfills all of the criteria of a proper request under the FOIA and Department of Energy (DOE) FOIA regulations at Title 10, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1004.

Response

BPA markets wholesale electric power and transmission products and services to Northwest electric utilities. BPA does not engage in any commercial activities related to salmon and steelhead populations in BPA’s service area. Therefore, there are no agency records available which would be responsive to your request.

The agency’s fish and fish habitat stewardship activities are limited to partnerships with states, Northwest tribes, federal and local governments, non-profit entities and others to restore habitat, protect land and water, improve passage at the dams and operate state-of-the-art salmon and steelhead hatcheries. As described on [BPA’s public website](#), the agency supports healthy fish and wildlife populations while supplying electricity from the nation’s largest source of clean power – the federal dams on the Columbia and Snake Rivers. Additional information on these agency activities can be found at <https://www.bpa.gov/efw/FishWildlife/Pages/default.aspx>.

BPA carries out its mission by implementing the Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife Program, which is developed by the Northwest Power and Conservation Council and funded by BPA's electricity ratepayers to help protect and enhance fish and wildlife affected by the federal hydropower dams. Useful information regarding the aforementioned programs and activities is described below:

- [Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Program](https://www.cbfish.org/) – This website provides a transparent view into BPA's implementation of the Columbia Basin Fish & Wildlife Program. You can search for budget and project information using the prominent links on the site's home page at <https://www.cbfish.org/>.
- [Northwest Power and Conservation Council](https://www.nwcouncil.org/fish-and-wildlife) – This website provides reports, documents, and updates regarding the regional power plan and fish & wildlife program to balance the Northwest's environment and energy needs. You can use the reports link to search for detailed reports on different types of salmon at <https://www.nwcouncil.org/fish-and-wildlife>.

Fees

There are no fees associated with the response to your request.

Certification

Pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 1004.7(b)(2), I am the individual responsible for the records search described above. Your FOIA request BPA-2021-00567-F is now closed with only publicly available information to provide and no responsive records available to provided.

Appeal

The adequacy of the search may be appealed within 90 calendar days from your receipt of this letter pursuant to 10 C.F.R. § 1004.8. Appeals should be addressed to:

Director, Office of Hearings and Appeals
HG-1, L'Enfant Plaza
U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20585-1615

The written appeal, including the envelope, must clearly indicate that a FOIA appeal is being made. You may also submit your appeal by e-mail to OHA.filings@hq.doe.gov, including the phrase "Freedom of Information Appeal" in the subject line. (The Office of Hearings and Appeals prefers to receive appeals by email.) The appeal must contain all the elements required by 10 C.F.R. § 1004.8, including a copy of the determination letter. Thereafter, judicial review will be available to you in the Federal District Court either (1) in the district where you reside, (2) where you have your principal place of business, (3) where DOE's records are situated, or (4) in the District of Columbia.

Additionally, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS
College Park, Maryland 20740-6001
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Phone: 202-741-5770
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448
Fax: 202-741-5769

Questions about this communication may be directed to the FOIA Public Liaison, Jason Taylor, at 503-230-3537 or jetaylor@bpa.gov. Thank you for your interest in the Bonneville Power Administration.

Sincerely,



Candice D. Palen
Freedom of Information/Privacy Act Officer