

CENWP STAFFING SHEET

RTAO: Ida Royer, CENWP-OD-B

DATE: 3 March 2015

SUBJECT: Approval letter for Randy Absolon – NOAA Fisheries

DESIRED ACTION: Requires OPM Signature

RETURN TO: Ida Royer or call 541-374-2541 if there are questions.

MFR: Please send a copy of the scanned, signed letter to Tammy.m.mackey@usace.army.mil and CC Ida.M.Royer@usace.army.mil.

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	Non-Concur/Concur Concur 2/25/15 JR	NWP Fish Passage PM-E <i>Rerecich, Jon</i>
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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, PORTLAND DISTRICT
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3 March 2015

Bonneville Project

Randy Absolon
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Bonneville Field Station
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North Bonneville, WA 98639

Dear Mr. Absolon:

This is in response to your January 22, 2015 letter requesting approval for access to Bonneville Project and the Smolt Monitoring Facility (SMF) for the following purposes:

1. To conduct the COE-funded study "Evaluation of Fish Condition and Gatewell Residence Time for Juvenile Salmonids in a Modified Gatewell at Bonneville Dam's Second Powerhouse". This is a similar evaluation to last's year's gatewell study. Jon Rerecich (PM-E) is the COE contact and Randy Absolon is the NOAA/NMFS contact.
2. To conduct a BPA-funded evaluation of PIT-tag efficiency at the Second Powerhouse Corner Collector (B2CC). Sandy Downing is the NOAA/NMFS contact.
3. To conduct a separation-by-code (SbyC) recapture and collection of biological data from juvenile Chinook Salmon and Steelhead at the SMF, including holdover Chinook Salmon f all Chinook salmon from a prior COE Walla Walla District transportation evaluation as well as wild Chinook salmon and wild and hatchery steelhead from a BPA- funded study. Tiffani Marsh is the NOAA/NMFS contact.

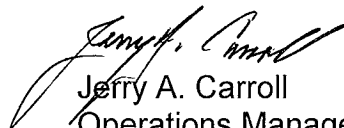
With respect to the work outlined above, your request is generally approved, provided you are able to obtain all necessary ESA and state permits. No work may begin until permits, or an explanation as to why permits are not required, are on file with Ms. Ida Royer and Ms. Tammy Mackey.

Prior to beginning work, please arrange a meeting with Ms. Ida Royer, 541-374-2541. Please remain in contact with Ms. Royer throughout your time at the dam. There are many researchers and contractors working at the dam, please work to ensure good communication and cooperation between agencies and organizations.

In addition to coordinating with Project Fisheries, you will also coordinate collection activities with SMF Personnel Rick Martinson, rickdm@gorge.net and Dean Ballinger, deanb@gorge.net.

A copy of this letter has been posted to NWP 2014 Access Responses found at <http://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/tmt/documents/FPOM/2010/NWP%20Research/2014%20NWP%20Access/> If you have questions regarding this correspondence, please contact Ms. Royer via e-mail or by phone.

Sincerely,


Jerry A. Carroll
Operations Manager
Bonneville Project