

Multi-Species Framework Project

Federal Caucus

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Dear Interested Party:

Several parties in the region have expressed confusion about various processes in place to develop a plan or plans for the restoration of fish and wildlife resources in the Columbia River Basin. The enclosed paper describes some of these processes and their relationship to one another, in particular the Federal relationship to the Multi-Species Framework process.

This description is not intended to be comprehensive; for example, it does not explain in detail the equally critical relationship between the Framework process and the Power Council's upcoming Fish and Wildlife Program amendment process. The paper also does not describe the relationship between the Federal and Council processes, except to highlight the common use of the Framework as an analytical base. If you have questions or would like further information, please contact either of us:

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Sincerely,



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Enclosure