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Ms. Lisa Wood Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife 600 Capitol Way Olympia, WA 98501

Subject: Categorical Exclusion - Roza, Naches-Cowiche, Town and Sunnyside Fishway

Sediment Removal

Dear Ms. Wood:

The Roza, Naches-Cowiche (Nelson Dam) Town and Sunnyside Fishway Sediment Removal Projects have been determined to be a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) compliance Categorical Exclusion. The actions of these projects do not individually or cumulatively have a significant impact on the environment.

Categorical Exclusions:

516 DM 6 Appendix 9 Bureau of Reclamation 9.4. *Categorical Exclusions*. In addition to the actions listed in the Departmental categorical exclusions outlined in appendix 1 if 515 DM 2, many of which Reclamation also performs, the following Reclamation actions are designated categorical exclusions unless the action qualifies as an exception under 516 DM 2.3A(3):

C3 – Minor construction activities associated with authorized projects which correct unsatisfactory environmental conditions, or which merely augment or supplement or are enclosed within existing facilities.

Final Categorical Exclusion Checklist is enclosed and was signed January 6, 2020.

If you have any questions about the information in this letter, please contact Ms. Shannon Archuleta, Fisheries Biologist, at (509-583-8022, or by email at sarchuleta@usbr.gov.

Sincerely,

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