

## Fish Passage Plan (FPP) Change Request Form

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**Change Form # & Title:** 15AppD001 – Tagged Lamprey Release  
**Date Submitted:** July 11, 2014  
**Project:** John Day Dam  
**Requester Name, Agency:** Nathan Zorich, Corps Fish Field Unit  
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**FPP Section:** Appendix D. Section 4 - JDA Operating Protocols for Lamprey.

**Justification for Change:** Releasing of tagged lamprey to the forebay will help prevent bias in passage study results at the current dam, yet allow them to provide useful information at the next upstream dam. To prevent lamprey from fall-back and/or fall-out of fishways following a daytime release they should be released to the forebay (*C. Caudill, pers. comm. Pre-collection conference call. April 2014*). If tagged lamprey fall-out of the fishway they could cause a low bias in the passage efficiency estimate - researchers would rather remove them from the current dam's analysis. It is assumed that a lamprey released into the forebay will resume normal behavior before encountering the next upstream dam.

**Proposed Change:**

**4. JOHN DAY DAM OPERATING PROTOCOLS FOR LAMPREY**

**4.2. Notification & Documentation**

**4.2.4.** Users will scan all collected lamprey for full and half-duplex PIT tags and provide code information of previously-tagged animals to appropriate USACE personnel and interested parties. Because they are of research value, tagged fish must be returned to the [fishwayforebay location in coordination with the FPOM Lamprey Task Group](#).

**Comments:**

8/14/14 FPOM: Most of FPOM is ok with this but Lorz would like to check w/ McIlraith before final approval. Forebay is fine; verification is for release in the navlock. Zorich said this change form would just continue what is currently occurring.

9/11/14 FPOM: CRITFC requests additional language of “release in the JDA forebay in coordination with the Lamprey Task Group.

**Record of Final Action:**

9/11/14 FPOM: APPROVED w/ additional language.