

## **Draft Summer Spill Update to the 2004 Water Management Plan.**

### ***1. Introduction***

The Summer Spill update to the 2004 Water Management Plan updates information in the Plan caused by the Corps of Engineers “Modifications to Summer Spill Operations for Fish Passage in 2004” and Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) “2004 Federal Columbia River Power System Juvenile ByPass Operations” statement of decisions issued July 6, 2004. These SODs establish dates to end spill for juvenile fish passage in 2004 and announce offsets to the impacts of ending spill early this year.

### ***2. End of Spill***

The spill for juvenile fish passage will end August 26th at Ice Harbor and John Day. Spill for juvenile fish passage will end the beginning of August 1st at The Dalles and Bonneville.

### ***3. Water Management Offsets***

As part of the offset package BPA has negotiated a one-year agreement with Idaho Power Company (IPC) to increase water releases from IPC’s Brownlee Reservoir by 100,000 acre-feet (100 kaf) in July. Under the one-year agreement, on June 9 BPA paid IPC \$1 million for the option to call upon an additional release of 100 kaf from Brownlee Reservoir between July 7 and 28, with weekly release volumes of at least 33 kaf – a flow increase of 2.4 thousand cubic feet per second (kcfs.) Per terms of the agreement, BPA exercised the option on June 23, and paid IPC an additional \$3 million, for a total cost of \$4 million.

### ***4. Additional Information***

The Corps of Engineers and Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) Statements of decision and the Modified Summer Spill plan and can be found at the Federal Caucus web site, <http://www.salmonrecovery.gov/>