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Columbia River Basin Fish and Wildlife Program REVISED Notice of Request for Recommendations: Subbasin Plans

To interested parties:

The Northwest Power Planning Council is issuing a limited revision to its August 12, 2002 Notice of Request for Recommendations -- Subbasin Plans. (See the August 12, 2002 Notice, attached). This revision relates only to the deadline for submitting subbasin plan recommendations and to how the Council will conduct independent scientific review of subbasin plan recommendations. All other aspects of the August 12, 2002 Notice remain viable and in effect.

Deadline for submitting subbasin plan recommendations

The August 12, 2002 Notice of Request for Recommendations established a timeframe for submitting subbasin plan recommendations that, depending upon the province, called for the submission of recommendations between May 1, 2003 and May 1, 2004. **The Council is revising that time to ask that all recommendations for subbasin plans be submitted to the Council on or before Friday, May 28, 2004.** This revised deadline seeks to provide the maximum amount of time available for developing recommendations while allowing for a Council amendment proceeding to adopt plans by the end of 2004.

Scientific review

The Council's August 12, 2002 Notice of Request for Recommendations stated that the scientific review of subbasin plan recommendations would take place after those recommendations are formally submitted to the Council, and simultaneous with the public review required by the Act. After consultation with those involved in subbasin planning, the Council has decided that it will offer scientific review of final *drafts* subbasin plans *before* they are formally submitted to the Council as recommendations. This adjustment will allow subbasin planners to receive input from the science review and make any changes that they decide are appropriate before submitting a final formal subbasin plan recommendation to the Council. The same considerations or questions that will be employed by the science reviewers provided in the August 12, 2002 Notice will apply, the only change is the timing of the review.

Questions about this revision, or about the August 12, 2002 Notice can be directed to the following contact persons:

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