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Attention Jamie Zeisloft

Subject: 100 Area IA# DE-AI106-97RL13570

Dear Mr. Rasmussen:

Recently Mr. Zeisloft and I discussed mutual concerns relating to completing essential plans, procedures, and contracts for the chromium/salmon studies relating to the 100 Area.

Due to unforeseen work priorities, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) has not completed some of the early plan construction, however as I assured Mr. Zeisloft this will not delay completion of the final product.

To facilitate project completion, the FWS has made several assignment modifications that I will share with you and by copy of this letter to the Trustee Council and affected persons.

1. Tom O'Brien, Environmental Contaminants Specialist in the FWS Regional Office in Portland, will assume the duties as FWS representative on the Trustee Council. Mr. O'Brien has extensive experience relative to Hanford and has had a lengthy association with the Interior representative, Mr. Slegger.
2. Rick Roy, Environmental Contaminants Specialist in our Moses Lake Office (and current FWS representative on the Trustee Council), will assume the lead on completing the products required in the subject Interagency Agreement. Mr. Roy is well experienced in completing the kinds of tasks in the IA. He will also remain available to assist Mr. O'Brien on responding to technical questions.

3. Dan Audet, Environmental Contaminants Specialist for NRDA co-located in the Spokane FWO, will provide assistance and tracking relating to laboratory analysis for this IA and review of the Study Plan.
4. Julie Campbell, Environmental Contaminants Specialist for NRDA co-located in Spokane, will be directly working with Mr. Roy to complete the IA Study Plan.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service fully understands that all planning work and agreements must be done before arrival of the chinook so sampling work and analysis can be completed for the fall 1998 spawning period and we will jointly modify the work schedule at our December 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The contract with USGS to do laboratory work is in process and study plan work will reach full speed immediately after the holidays. If FWS staff programmed for this effort prove to be insufficient, we will acquire appropriate TDY staff to complete the tasks.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (509)891-6839.

Sincerely,



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Field Supervisor

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