

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE SUSTAINABLE FISHERIES DIVISION 525 NE Oregon Street PORTLAND, OREGON 97232-2737

November 16, 1998

Mr. Craig S. Harrison Vice Chair for Conservation 4001 North Ninth Street # 1801 Arlington, Virginia 22203

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request Regarding Impacts of Avian Predation on Salmonids

Dear Mr. Harrison:

On October 16, 1998, the National Marine Fisheries Services (NMFS) received your request under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) for information regarding the impacts of avian predation, specifically Caspian terns, on salmonids in the Columbia River system. A search has identified documents responsive to your request. Those documents are listed below and enclosed.

In your letter you requested a waiver of fees pursuant to 15 CFR §4.9(c) because Pacific Seabird Group (PSG) intends to use these records to educate the public. NMFS is granting your request for a fee waiver.

| 03/24/98 | Letter from Steve Morris, NMFS, to Colonel Robert Slusar, Corps of Engineers, re: Avian nesting on dredge spoil islands |
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| 04/14/98 | Letter from Elizabeth Gaar, NMFS, to Bob Willis, Corps of Engineers, re: Avian predation |
| 07/09/98 | Letter from Stephen Smith, NMFS, to Chris Wheaton, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, re: ODFW Draft predation action plan |
| 07/07/98 | Letter from Herb Pollard, NMFS, to Bill Maslen, Bonneville Power Administration, re: Comments on Draft Avian Predation Annual Report. |
| 10/98 | Memo from Herb Pollard, NMFS, to John Palensky, re: Avian Predation Impacts |

Status Review of Coho Salmon from Washington, Oregon, and California. NOAA Technical Memorandum NMFS-NWFSC-24, September 1995, 258 p



- Status Review of West Coast Steelhead from Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and California. NOAA Technical Memorandum NMFS-NWFSC-27, August 1996, 261 p
- Status Review of Chinook Salmon from Washington, Idaho, Oregon, and California. NOAA Technical Memorandum NMFS-NWFSC-35, February 1998, 443 p.
- Status Review of Sockeye Salmon from Washington, and Oregon. NOAA Technical Memorandum NMFS-NWFSC-33, December 1997, 282 p.
- Estuarine and Ocean Survival of Northeastern Pacific Salmon; Proceedings of the Workshop, March 20-22, 1996, Newport, OR. NOAA Technical Memorandum NMFS-NWFSC-29 April 1997, 313 p.
- Impacts of California Sea Lions and Pacific Harbor Seals on Salmonids and on the Coastal Ecosystems of Washington, Oregon and California. NOAA Technical Memorandum NMFS-NWFSC-28 March 1997. 172 p.
- Proposed Recovery Plan for Snake River Salmon, NMFS. March 1995 approximately 500 p
- Review of 1997 Ocean Fisheries. Pacific Fishery Management Council. February 1998 300p.
- Columbia River Fish Runs and Fisheries, 1938-97 Status Report, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife 200 p.
- Avian Predation on Juvenile Salmonids in the Lower Columbia River, 1997 Annual Report, Oregon State University and Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission, September 1998, 70 p
- Endangered Species Act Section 7 Biological Opinion on 1995-1998 Hatchery Operations in the Columbia River Basin, NMFS Consultation Number [383]. NMFS April 5, 1995. 82 p.

If you have further questions or require additional information, please contact Herb Pollard, NMFS Hatchery and Inland Fisheries Branch, at (503) 230-5442.

Sincerely,

Stephen H. Smith, Chief

Hatchery and Inland Fisheries Branch

Enclosures