

October 2011 FISHWAY INSPECTION SUMMARY

Fishway Inspections were conducted at all Columbia and Snake River Dams fitted with adult fish passage structures over October of 2011.

Overall, few problems were encountered; most fishways appeared to be in satisfactory or better operation. The problems encountered are listed below.

Bonneville Dam: The Bradford Island B-Branch fishway went out of service in mid-September due to an inspection discovering several areas of erosion that have undermined the integrity of the ladder. B-Branch will remain closed through the winter maintenance period (through the end of February). The Washington Shore ladder was dewatered in mid-October to conduct a survey of diffuser gratings /debris removal and will continue to be out of service through late November or early December

John Day Dam (October 27, 2011): South Shore Fishway exit recorded as not clean.

Lower Monumental Dam (October 27, 2011): Fishway exit recorded as not clean.

Lower Granite Dam (October 25, 2011): Fishway exit recorded as not clean.

Wells Dam (October 27, 2011): Staff gauges were not readable at East Fishway.