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RECLAMATION

Federal Purpose and Need

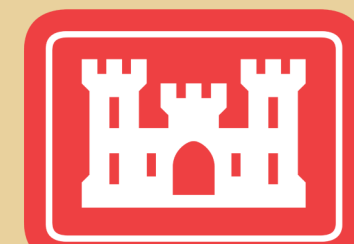
Need for Action

The co-lead agencies (Reclamation, Bonneville, and USACE) need to consider and respond to the P2IP proposal in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and authorities.

The P2IP entails testing the feasibility of restoring salmon in the upper Columbia River Basin above the Chief Joseph Dam. In late 2023, the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Spokane Tribe of Indians, Coeur d'Alene Tribe, and the federal government signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and mediated settlement agreement to pursue a proactive, collaborative, and science-based approach to implementing the P2IP. This agreement outlines funding and implementation commitments through 2043, including:

- . Bonneville will provide certain funding for implementation of the P2IP projects for reintroducing specific non-federally protected salmonid stocks above Chief Joseph and Grand Coulee dams in the upper Columbia River Basin consistent with Bonneville's Administrator's settlement authority under 16 U.S.C. § 832a(f).
- . Project proponents may utilize existing hatchery facilities for activities related to P2IP implementation.
- . The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service will provide surplus fertilized eggs and juvenile salmon of non-listed stock from federal hatchery facilities to support the study and testing of reintroduction.

The agreement also establishes a mutual understanding that the implementation would not interfere with the operation of the Columbia River System and would be subject to completion of requisite regulatory compliance.

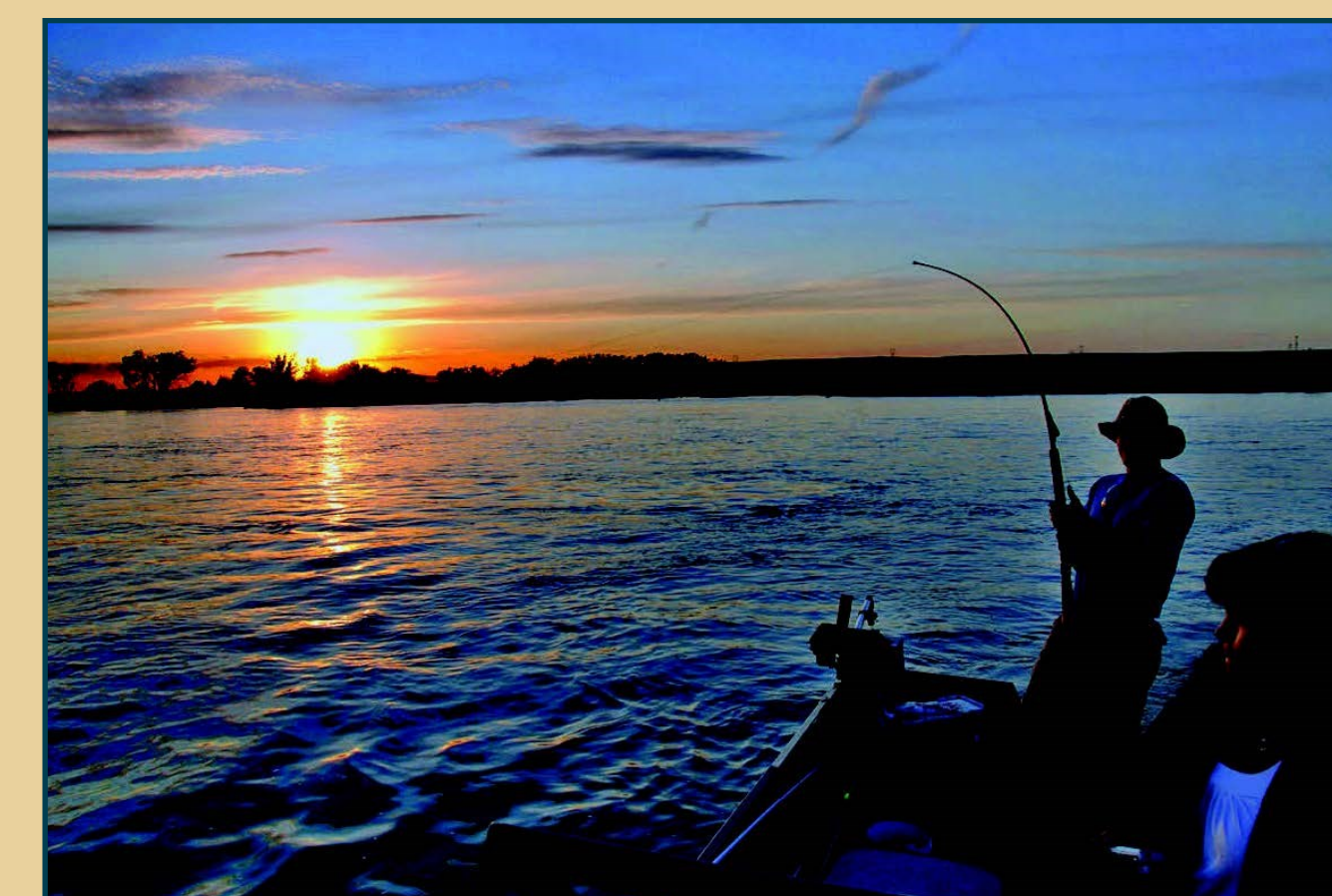
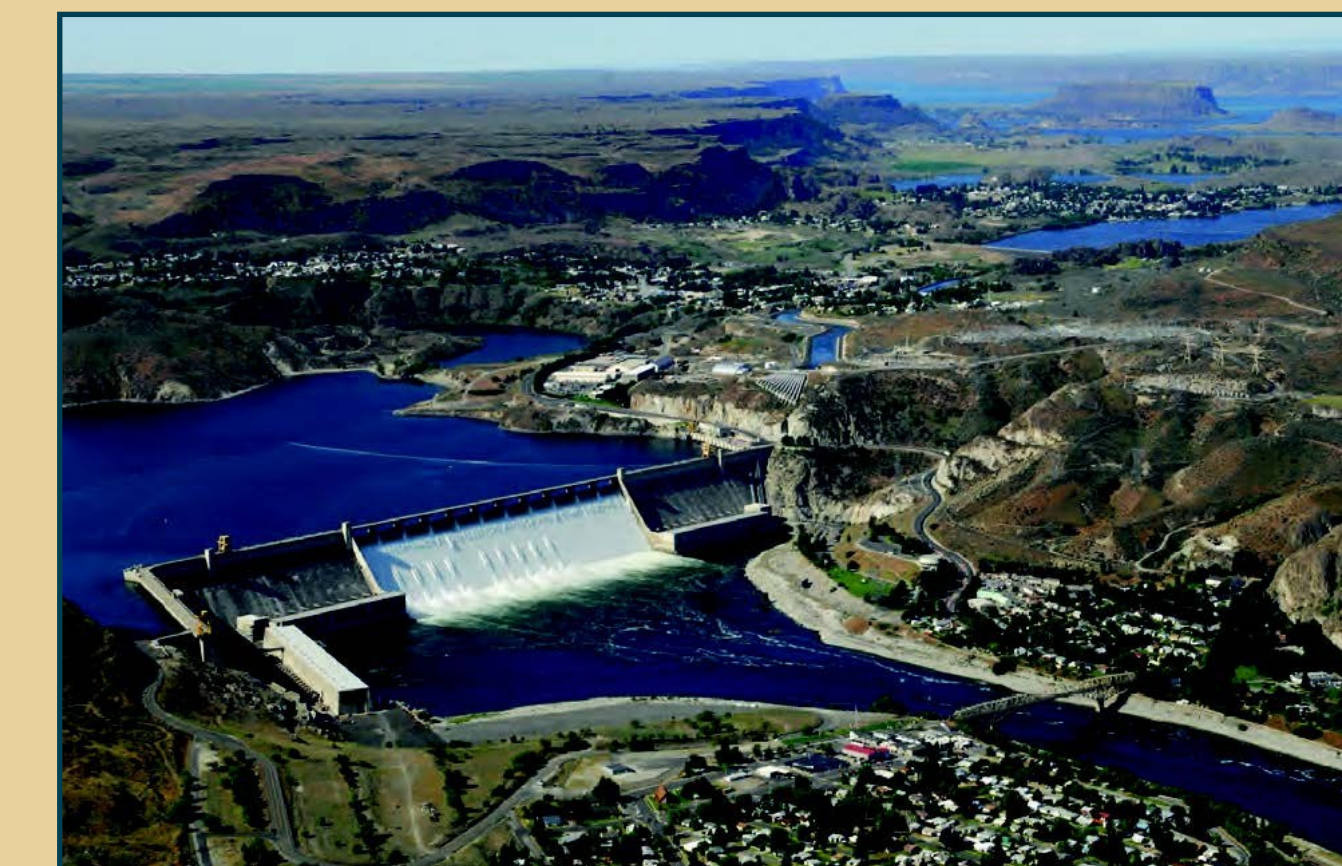
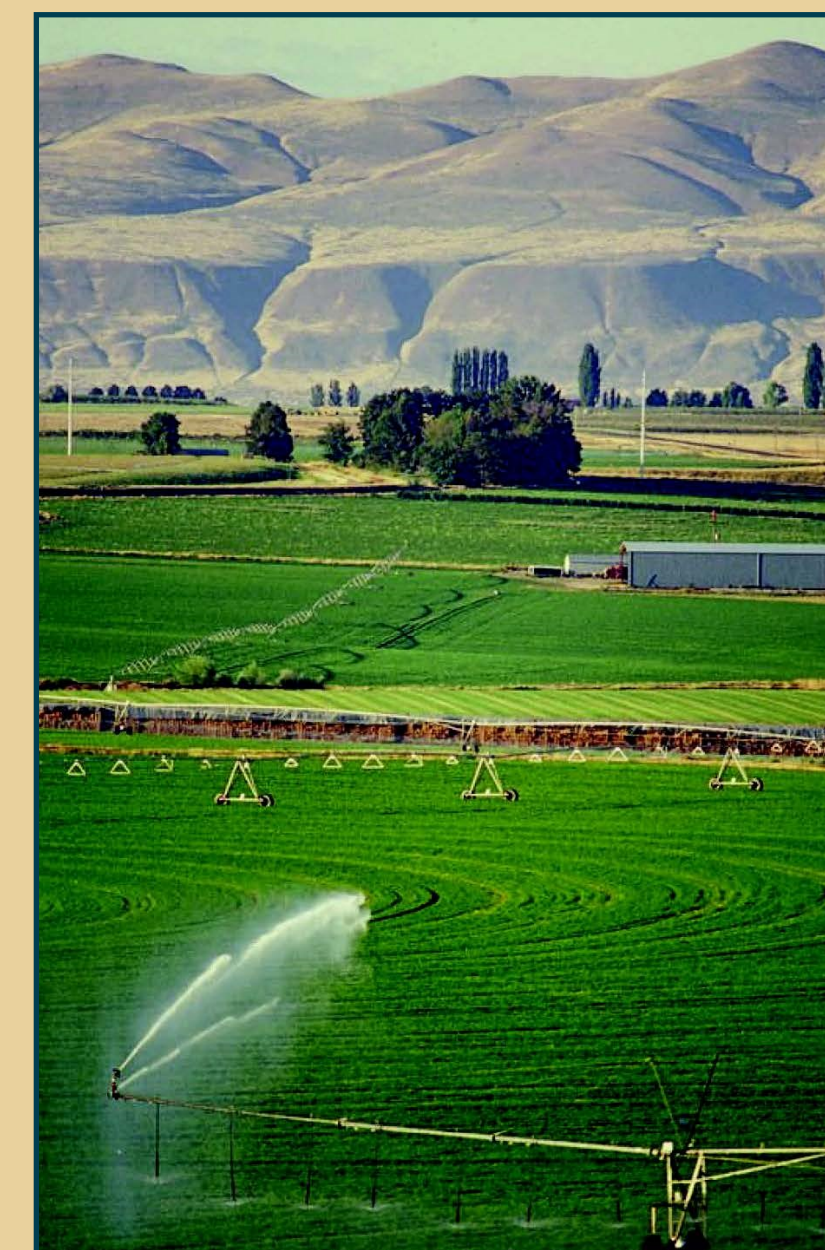


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Purpose

The federal government seeks to achieve the following purposes:

- . Support efforts to study and test the feasibility of reintroducing specific non-federally protected salmonid stocks above Chief Joseph and Grand Coulee dams in the upper Columbia River Basin consistent with the P2IP agreement
- . Continue to provide adequate, efficient, economical, and reliable power supply
- . Continue to deliver reliable water supplies, manage flood risk, provide reliable navigation and recreation opportunities



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