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MEMORANDUM THRU Laurie Nicholas, Chief, Reservoir Regulation and Water Quality Section (CENWP-EC-HR)

FOR Lance Helwig, Chief, Engineering and Construction Division (CENWP-EC)

SUBJECT: Response to Request for Review and Approval for Incorporation of the Environmental Flow Recommendations Memo into the Water Control Manuals for Willamette Valley Projects

- 1. This memorandum is in response to the subject request, dated 14 September 2015, for review and approval of the permanent revisions to the Cougar, Detroit, and Lookout Point water control manuals to incorporate Environmental Flow Recommendations as part of the Sustainable Rivers Project.
- 2. In reviewing the changes, several of the Environmental Flow Targets note Operational Considerations of which regulators should be aware when considering releases to meet such targets. It is imperative that all Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) documents be updated to reflect the latest notification procedures for applicable thresholds identified in the Targets.
- 3. Subject to the items noted in paragraph 2, the Columbia Basin Water Management Division approves the revisions to the water control manuals for the projects listed in paragraph 1 to incorporate the Environmental Flow Recommendations.

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