



Oregon

Kate Brown, Governor

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Barry Thom
Regional Administrator, West Coast Region
National Marine Fisheries Service
1201 Northeast Lloyd Boulevard, Suite 1100
Portland, OR 97232

RE: Columbia River Basin Section 120(f) and 120 Sea Lion Removals 72-Hour Report

Dear Mr. Thom,

As required under Condition 8(b) of MMPA Section 120(f) and 120 Columbia River Basin Permit, this letter is to notify you of the permanent removal of **three (3)** Steller sea lions and **four (4)** California sea lions within the Columbia River between River Mile 112 and River Mile 292 and Columbia River tributaries. Information on these individuals and locations/method of action can be found in the table on Page 2.

Since no facilities were authorized by NMFS to take live sea lions at this time, these animals were euthanized according to NMFS-approved IACUC guidelines. Biological samples were collected for later examination and the remaining materials were disposed of in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. No request(s) were made for transfer of parts to tribal co-managers.

Sincerely,

Michael Brown
Supervising Fish and Wildlife Biologist/Project Leader
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John Edwards
Columbia River Pinniped Biologist
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
Wildlife Program

Description and Relevant Data for Lethally Removed Sea Lion(s)

Species	Removal Date	Disposition	Location	Appendix ID	aka	Mark Date	Mark Type	Serial Number
CSL	4/20/2021	Euthanized via chemical euthanasia	Bonneville Dam*	1-97	N/A	5/3/2016	Brand	294
SSL	4/20/2021	Euthanized via chemical euthanasia	Bonneville Dam*	N/A	O41	5/10/2017	Brand	N/A
SSL	4/21/2021	Euthanized via chemical euthanasia	Bonneville Dam*	N/A	EB009	N/A	N/A	N/A
SSL	4/22/2021	Euthanized via chemical euthanasia	Bonneville Dam*	N/A	EB010	N/A	N/A	N/A
CSL	4/20/2021	Euthanized via chemical euthanasia	Willamette Falls‡	N/A	ZW005	N/A	N/A	N/A
CSL	4/20/2021	Euthanized via chemical euthanasia	Willamette Falls‡	X53	N/A	9/2/2015	Brand	W52
CSL	4/20/2021	Euthanized via chemical euthanasia	Willamette Falls‡	N/A	ZW006	N/A	N/A	N/A

*Latitude/Longitude: 45.6392, -121.9521

‡ Latitude/Longitude: 45.3615, -122.6043