

# Mill Creek Fish Passage Project

## Mitigation Action Plan

### SUMMARY

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This Mitigation Action Plan is for the Mill Creek Fish Passage Project. The project would fund Tri-State Steelheaders, a non-profit organization that promotes healthy salmon and steelhead populations, to oversee concrete panel fabrication for the ongoing Mill Creek Fish Passage project in Walla Walla County, Washington.

This Mitigation Action Plan is for the Proposed Action and includes all of the integral elements and commitments made in the environmental assessment (EA) to mitigate potential adverse environmental impacts.

Tri-State Steelheaders and its contractor are responsible for implementing the mitigation measures during various phases of project construction. *Relevant portions of this mitigation action plan will be included in the construction contract specifications, which will obligate the contractor to implement the mitigation measures identified that relate to contractor responsibilities during and after construction.*

If you have any general questions about the project, contact the Project Manager, Andre L'Heureux: toll-free telephone 800-622-4519, direct telephone 503-230-4482, or [allheureux@bpa.gov](mailto:allheureux@bpa.gov).

If you have questions about the mitigation action plan, contact the BPA lead for the environmental review, Claire McClory: toll-free telephone 800-622-4519, direct telephone 503-230-5922 or e-mail [cdmclory@bpa.gov](mailto:cdmclory@bpa.gov).

This Mitigation Action Plan may be amended if revisions are needed due to new information or if there are project adjustments.

## MITIGATION MEASURES

Minimization and mitigation measures identified to reduce potential impacts associated with the Proposed Action are provided in the Mitigation Action Plan Table.

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MINIMIZATION AND MITIGATION MEASURE	IMPLEMENTATION
<b>Water Quality and Aquatic Environment</b>	
Follow “Dewatering and Fish Capture” protocol specified in Appendix D of the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and US Fish and Wildlife Service’s (USFWS) ESA programmatic biological opinion <i>Washington State Fish Passage and Habitat Enhancement Restoration Programmatic Consultation</i> (NMFS tracking number 2008-03598; USFWS No.: 13410-2008-FWS # F-0209)	Before, during, and after construction (Contractor)
Adhere to USACE Nationwide Permit 27, Aquatic Habitat Restoration, Enhancement, and Establishment Activities (USACE reference No. NWS-2018-438).	During construction (Contractor)
<b>Threatened and Endangered Species</b>	
Adhere to terms and conditions specified in the NMFS and USFWS ESA programmatic biological opinion <i>Washington State Fish Passage and Habitat Enhancement Restoration Programmatic Consultation</i> (NMFS tracking number 2008-03598; USFWS No.: 13410-2008-FWS # F-0209)	During construction (Contractor)
All work below the ordinary high water mark would occur during an in-water work window as approved by Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, NMPS, USFWS, And USACE, which is currently June 15-September 20.	During construction (contractor)
<b>Cultural Resources</b>	
No mitigation proposed	
<b>Climate Change</b>	
No mitigation proposed	