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Sent via email only: rhendr1@gcpud.org

RE: Minor Revision of NPDES Permit No. WA0991028 for the Wanapum Dam

Dear Ross Hendrick:

The recently issued fact sheet and permit for the Wanapum Dam becomes effective December 1, 2021. **No Changes were made to the permit.** Several updates to the fact sheet were necessary for accuracy.

Page 22:

1. Ecology removed reference to "Total Dissolved Gas" (TDG) because this permit does not have a limit for TDG.
2. Ecology changed reference to "temperature" and replaced it with "heat load". The permit does not set a temperature limit but does limit the heat load to the Columbia River.

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1. Ecology removed reference to temperature in first paragraph as it did not apply. A reference to a TMDL for temperature was added in the following paragraph.
2. Ecology updated Table 11 changing reference to temperature as Category 5 listing to a Category 4a listing. A category 4a listing means an EPA-approved TMDL plan is in place and implemented.

The changes do not affect the stringency of the permit and therefore does not require public notice. Please have your staff replace the original pages of the permit with the revised pages for each copy of the permit made. The pages are clearly marked at the bottom "**THIS PAGE REVISED ON NOVEMBER 9, 2021**".

We regret the necessity to make this correction, but as the permit will be in effect for up to five years, it is prudent to have it in the best possible form. Should you or your staff have any questions, please contact Keith Primm at 509/457-7124 or keith.primm@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Damon G. Roberts".

Damon G. Roberts
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Enclosure: Revised Permit Pages