From: Justin Ly - NOAA Federal <justin.ly@noaa.gov>

Sent:Wednesday, March 6, 2019 9:24 AMTo:Howard Brown - NOAA FederalSubject:Re: ROC on LTO Trinity Elevation Topic

Hi Howard,

I'm checking to see how detailed of a summary you're looking for. Would something like this work or do you need more? I'm not sending in our summary just yet, just checking on the level of detail you're looking for at this stage. Lisa and I will then get you the appropriate level of summary detail you're looking for. Thanks,

## Consultation status of Trinity Mainstem Flows (a.k.a. "Trinity ROD flows").

- Seasonal operations in the Trinity River (which are included in the Trinity ROD) are described in the Proposed Action section and modeled in the BA, but listed as Not Being Consulted On because it is covered by existing BiOp.
- NMFS' position is that the 2000 Trinity ROD flows BiOp is outdated and warrants reinitiation, so including the Trinity ROD flows in the ROC on LTO provides Reclamation with appropriate ESA exemption.
- Minimal BA revision from Reclamation is required, only clarification that the Trinity ROD flows are included in this consultation.

On Wed, Mar 6, 2019 at 8:54 AM Howard Brown - NOAA Federal < howard.brown@noaa.gov > wrote: Resending this with Lisa's correct email this time...

Lisa and Justin.

I am putting together an agenda and summary of elevation topics for the 3-director elevation meeting on Friday and would appreciate some help. Below is the summary of the Trinity topic, which I understand there has been some progress on regarding the lower Klamath. Could you update this topic and also propose a potential solution for us to put on the table? We are going to brief Barry on the elevation list tomorrow at 1:30 (I asked Beverly to add invite you to the call) and I am going to need to have this together by then.

Thank you!

Howard

## 1. Consultation status of Trinity River Restoration Program (TRRP, a.k.a. "Trinity ROD flows") and Lower Klamath flow augmentation.

- Seasonal operations (which are included in the Trinity ROD) are proposed as a site-specific action. However, Trinity ROD and Lower Klamath fall augmentation flows are described and modeled in the BA but listed as Not Being Consulted On because they are covered by existing BiOps.
- NMFS position is that the TRRP BiOp is outdated and warrants reinitiation.

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