

SALMON ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON
SALMON REINTRODUCTION ABOVE GRAND COULEE DAM

The Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) heard from Casey Baldwin of the Colville Confederated Tribes regarding reintroduction of salmon to the upper Columbia River Basin during our virtual meeting on September 8, 2020. The presentation informed the SAS about the completed feasibility analysis of salmon reintroduction into the blocked waters of the Columbia River Basin, above Grand Coulee and Chief Joseph dams. The analyses completed in Phase 1 explored capacity for fish production, appropriate donor stocks, disease risks, and fish passage options. The SAS supports the efforts of the Colville Confederated Tribes and recognizes the cultural significance of salmon to these communities. The SAS looks forward to hearing more about the findings and proposed options as the Colville Confederated Tribes enter the Phase 2 of this project and is ready to provide input as requested.

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