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Attached is a copy of the guidelines as prepared by the Interagency Task Force on "Improving Coordination of ESA Section 7 Consultation with the FERC License Process Hydroelectric Licensing Process. On April 25, 2000, David Hayes, Solicitor's Office, asked the Director, Bureau of Land Management to provide consolidated Bureau comments by May 24, 2000. Our representative to the Department of the Interior's Hydropower Coordinating Committee, Jeff Holdren, has asked that we provide an instruction memorandum because of the short response time.

Therefore, we are asking you to please review the attached "Improving Coordination of ESA Section 7 Consultation with the FERC License Process" and provide comments to Jill Silvey, Idaho State Office, for consolidation and preparation for the Director's response.

If you have any questions, please contact Jeff Holdren, WO-350, (202) 452-7779 or Jill Silvey, IDSO, (208) 373-4045.

Signed by  
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2 Attachments

- 1 - Interior Memorandum (1 p)
- 2 - Improving Coordination of ESA Section 7 Consultation with the FERC License Process (19 pp)

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