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Lower Snake River Juvenile Salmon Migration Draft Feasibility Report/ Environmental Impact Statement

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers invites any person who has an interest in the Draft FR/EIS or represents a group of people that have an interest in the subject matter of this study, to make comments. The Corps will respond to the comments related to their Draft FR/EIS in their next NEPA document produced for the Lower Snake River Juvenile Salmon Migration Feasibility Report/EIS. Comments will be accepted through March 31, 2000.

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Comments: Salmon extinction is part of the hidden cost of cheap food & electricity. Certainly some people hope to pay that price once and for all. I can only speak for myself, but for groceries to cost a little more, or a couple of dollars added to my power bill, would be a great bargain if it bought the long-term survival of the Pacific salmon runs in Idaho.

Losing a treasure like the natural salmon runs for some marginal economic benefit would be a disaster. The status quo, maintaining ~~a~~ zoo-style relict populations by barging the fish through their life cycle ~~doesn't~~ work and it won't work. (over)

We need to get to understand the deep ocean environments. We need to fix off shore overfishing. Most of all we need to unplug the Lower Snake.

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If it were not for the efforts of the Corps, the BPA, & the rest of the hydro community these fish would have become extinct years ago. That they have kept the decline to levels also seen in undammed rivers is an amazing feat. Think what we could accomplish without the dams. (back)