## Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee Hatchery Subcommittee Statement of Agreement on Quantitative Objectives for Grant PUD's Hatchery Programs

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## **Statement**

The Hatchery Subcommittee of the Priest Rapids Coordinating Committee (PRCC) collectively agrees that the quantitative objectives identified in the attached document (Quantitative Objectives for Grant County PUD Funded Hatchery Programs) will serve as the guidelines for the development and evaluation of hatchery mitigation programs, risk assessment, development of monitoring and evaluation plans, and the basis for adaptive management. This document is intended to be a living document and subject to change as new information becomes available.

## **Background**

Quantitative objectives are a necessary precondition for development and evaluation of hatchery programs. Objectives are needed to determine how a hatchery program is implemented (e.g. broodstock selection and collection, location of releases, management of hatchery origin returns, monitoring plan development, and assessment of risks). Without objectives it is impossible to develop M&E plans for adaptive management of hatchery programs. For example, the 2006 Priest Rapids Project Salmon and Steelhead Settlement Agreement states that (Page 15, section 9.5) "Grant PUD shall, in consultation with the PRCC Hatchery subcommittee, develop a monitoring and evaluation plan to assess the effectiveness of the fall Chinook propagation program at meeting **the objectives** developed by the Parties and consistent with the monitoring and evaluation plan described below in Section 13.1.4."