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PROGRAM PLANNING AND INTEGRATION
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To All Interested Government Agencies and Public Groups:

Under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), an environmental review has been performed on the following action.

TITLE: Finding of No Significant Impact for the Environmental Assessment to Analyze Impacts of NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service Determination that the Tribal Resource Management Plan submitted by the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes satisfies the Tribal 4(d) Rule and Does Not Appreciably Reduce the Likelihood of Survival and Recovery of Snake River Spring/Summer-run Chinook Salmon Evolutionarily Significant Unit under the Endangered Species Act

LOCATION: Salmon River basin, state of Idaho

SUMMARY: The Shoshone-Bannock Tribes describe management of ceremonial and subsistence fisheries in the Salmon River basin for hatchery-origin and natural-origin Chinook salmon using population-specific abundance-based harvest rate schedules, which incorporate conditions for the conservation and restoration of salmon stocks.

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The environmental review process led us to conclude that this action will not have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared. A copy of the finding of no significant impact (FONSI) including the supporting environmental assessment (EA) is enclosed for your information.

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Although NOAA is not soliciting comments on this completed EA/FONSI we will consider any comments submitted that would assist us in preparing future NEPA documents. Please submit any written comments to the responsible official named above.

Sincerely,

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FOR Patricia A. Montanio
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Enclosure