



Spring 2013 Open House Comment Form

The Corps of Engineers and BPA want to hear from you and we need your feedback!

Open House Date 4/10/13 (Spokane)

Was this Open House helpful? Yes

How can we improve? We have more open houses planned so your comments will help make these better.

- Format, room layout, time
- Level of detail
- Use of simple language and terms
- Length of presentations
- Please explain or provide your own review:

Treaty Review Comments

1. I want the Treaty Review team to consider these issues:

What are the economic and social impacts of operating existing storage projects for flood control, as Canada insists we must, when those projects are not currently authorized or used for system flood control? An example is all of the storage projects above Brownlee, which are operated by the Bureau of Reclamation, primarily for irrigation supply, and not for system (ie. Portland) flood control.

2. Is there any key information we missed in our Iteration 2 assessment? Any gaps in our analysis?

Water supply/irrigation is a "primary operational driving process", particularly above Brownlee. Looking solely at potential increased pumping costs for Columbia Basin Project and Umatilla is important, but inadequate. Canada is arguing for use of all projects in U.S. for flood control. The impacts of this scenario are important to know. Also, there are no alternatives (scenarios/components) for water supply.

(see reverse)

3. As we move into the third phase of analysis, Iteration 3, what are your priorities for our attention?

Irrigation needs to be recognized as a "primary operational driving purpose", particularly for the portion of the Columbia River Basin that lies above Brownlee (e.g., ^{upper} Snake, Boise & Payette). Eco-system Function, Flood Risk Management and Hydropower are important, but are not the "primary operational driving purposes" for Bureau of Reclamation projects, authorized by Congress primarily for irrigation. Alternatives/Components/scenarios need to include water supply.

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All comments we receive will become part of the official project record.

There are many ways for you to share your comments:

- Write them down today at the Open House and hand to any team member
- After the meeting, you may comment by:
 - Email: Address your comments to treatyreview@bpa.gov
 - Phone: Call the BPA at 800-622-4519 or the Corps at 503-808-4510.
 - Mail: Bonneville Power Administration
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 - FAX: 503-230-4563, Attn: Columbia River Treaty Review Team