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To: Duberstein, Leonard (Lenny) B
Subject: Yellowtail Dam Proposal

Dear Mr. Duberstein,

I am writing to ask that you improve the proposal for operating the Yellowtail Dam. It is imperative that the Bighorn River fishery be adequately protected by the proposal.

A flow of 3500 cfs should be the ideal for protecting the fishery and a minimum of 2500 cfs should only be allowed in drought years when the optimal 3500 cfs just can't be attained.

Further, the draft criteria for spring reservoir levels should be adjusted down to avoid the necessity to rapidly evacuate the reservoir in the event of spring storm problems. This will also protect properties below the dam and the fishery of the river.

Thanks for you consideration.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Smith