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Instruction Memorandum No. OR-2006-024

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To: District Managers: Burns, Lakeview, and Vale; Field Manager: Malheur

From: State Director, Oregon/Washington

Subject: 1998 Bull Trout Biological Opinion – Line Manager Certification DD: 02/24/2006
Report for 2005

Program Area: This Instruction Memorandum (IM) applies to all lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) that are subject to the 1998 Bull Trout Biological Opinion.

Purpose: The purpose of this IM is to transmit a memorandum signed by the BLM Deputy State Director for Resource Planning, Use and Protection and other members of the Columbia Basin Deputy Team.

Policy/Action: The annual Line Manager Certification Report which is part of Attachment 1 provides a mechanism for documenting Forest Service and BLM administrative units' implementation and compliance with INFISH Standards and Guidelines, and the terms and conditions as described in the 1998 and 2003 Fish and Wildlife Service Biological Opinions. This information will assist the Deputy Team in identifying priority issues needing resolution, certify compliance with the legal requirements of the 1998 Opinion, more efficiently address Freedom of Information Act requests, and ensure the durability of INFISH and the 1998 and 2003 Opinions until replaced through plan revisions.

Timeframe: The due date for completion of the Line Manager Certification Report is February 24, 2006.

Budget Impact: None.

Background: The attached memorandum provides the background for this request.

Manual/Handbook Sections Affected: Not applicable.

Coordination: The action has been coordinated with the Forest Service, the Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries.

Contact: Questions should be referred to Dorothy Mason (541-523-1308).

Districts with Unions are reminded to notify their unions of this Instruction Memorandum and satisfy any bargaining obligations before implementation. Your servicing Human Resources Office or Labor Relations Specialist can provide you assistance in this matter.

Signed by
James G. Kenna
Associate State Director

Authenticated by
Mary O'Leary
Management Assistant

1 Attachment(s)

- 1 – [Interagency Interior Columbia Basin Deputy Team memo](#)
(Subject: 1998 & 2003 (Jarbidge) Bull Trout Biological Opinions – Line Manager Certification Report for 2005) (5pp)

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