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Hi David,

Please accept the following Port of Portland (Port) written comment on the draft Columbia River Temperature WQMP. The Port is incorrectly listed in this draft WQMP as a wastewater permit holder with a WLA to the Columbia River. The permit referenced in the table below was transferred from the Port to Renyolds Metals in 2024 (see attached Permit Transfer Letter). Can you please remove the Port from this table in the WQMP.

Thank you,
Blake



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Facility Name	Permit Number	Location (RM)	Flow (MGD)	Temp (°C)	WLA (kcal/day)
SDS Lumber	WA0051152	170.2	25.0	29.4	2.78E+09
Bingen STP	WA0022373	170.2	0.8	24.0	7.25E+07
Spring Crk Natl Fish Hatchery ¹⁹	WAG130006	165.0	5.1	16.8	3.25E+08
Cascade Locks OR STP	OR0041271	148.2	0.49	28.0	5.21E+07
Stevenson STP	WA0020672	150.0	0.45	27.4	4.66E+07
Oregon Fish and Wildlife (Bonneville Fish Hatchery)	ORG130001	143	32.0	15.5	1.87E+09
Tanner Creek Water Treatment Plant – USACE	OR0022624	146.1	0.1	22.0	8.31E+06
North Bonneville STP	WA0023388	144.0	0.25	20.1	1.90E+07
Bonneville Dam (OR) ²⁰	OR0034355	141.5	28.5	24.1	2.59E+09
Bonneville Project (WA) ^{19,20}	WA0026778	141.5	25.1	24.4	2.31E+09
Multnomah Falls OR Lodge STP	OR0040410	135.9	0.5	31.6	5.97E+07
Washougal STP	WA0037427	123.5	2.2	24.1	2.04E+08
Camas STP	WA0020249	121.2	6.1	25.5	5.87E+08
Toyo Tanso USA OR	OR0034916	118.1	0.2	25.3	1.91E+07
Port of Portland	OR0000060	116.9	3.0	20.0	2.27E+08

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EXTERNAL EMAIL:

Columbia R. Temperature WQMP: DEQ extends written comment period to May 15

DEQ received and has granted a request to extend the May 1st, 2026 deadline to provide written comments on the pre-public draft of the Columbia River Temperature WQMP.

DEQ is providing a 14-day extension.

Written comments are due by May 15, 2026.

Comments received by this date will be reviewed and considered by DEQ. In Summer 2026, we plan to release a draft WQMP for a formal public comment period. DEQ will submit a final WQMP to the DEQ Director as a DEQ Order.

Background:

Oregon has identified the Columbia River as impaired for high water temperatures on the state's Integrated Report, which details the conditions of the state's waters. In 2020, the EPA developed a pollution budget, known as a Total Maximum Daily Load or TMDL, to identify the sources contributing to hot water temperatures and to determine the maximum amount of heat the Columbia River can receive and still meet applicable state and tribal water quality standards. Oregon and Washington are responsible for implementing the required reductions in excess heat.

DEQ is in the early stage of developing its Water Quality Management Plan to address implementation of the TMDL as described in Oregon Administrative Rules 340-042-0040(4)(I). This plan will identify the entities responsible for reducing their contributions of excess heat to the river and will outline the strategy and schedule for achieving the required reductions specified in the TMDL.

Visit:

[DEQ's Columbia River TMDL web page for more background](#)

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