

**NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
FISHERIES PROGRAM  
UCUT SALMON REINTRODUCTION REPORT**

**CDA RESOLUTION 072 (2019)**

**WHEREAS, the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council has been empowered to act for and on behalf of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe pursuant to the revised Constitution and Bylaws, adopted by the Coeur d'Alene Tribe by referendum November 10, 1984, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, December 21, 1984; and**

**WHEREAS, the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Fisheries Program, as part of the Natural Resources Department, has the mission to restore, protect, expand and reestablish fish populations to sustainable levels to provide harvest opportunities; and**

**WHEREAS, anadromous fish were blocked from the Tribe's homeland in the Spokane River in 1910 and further removed from the Upper Columbia River Basin following the construction of Grand Coulee Dam which began in 1933; and**

**WHEREAS, the Upper Columbia United Tribes (UCUT) organization, established in 1982, promotes a unifying vision for Salmon reintroduction for our region through the collaboration of five area tribes, including the Coeur d'Alene Tribe; and**

**WHEREAS, the Northwest Power and Conservation Council (NPCC), a governing body charged with mitigating the impacts of the federal hydropower system to fish and wildlife, adopted recommendations for a phased approach to the reintroduction of Salmon into the blocked area above Grand Coulee Dam in the 2014 Columbia River Basin Fish and Wildlife Program; and**

**WHEREAS, the Coeur d'Alene Tribe Fisheries Program has worked with UCUT staff and their counterparts at the member tribes to complete investigations into the reintroduction of anadromous Salmon to the immediately available habitat upstream of Chief Joseph and Grand Coulee Dams; and**

**WHEREAS, the UCUT report corresponding to Phase I: pre-assessment planning for reintroduction and fish passage, has been finalized with the conclusion that reintroduction of salmon to the United States portion of the Upper Columbia River is likely to achieve identified tribal goals; and**

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council hereby supports the conclusions and recommendations of the UCUT Phase I report; and

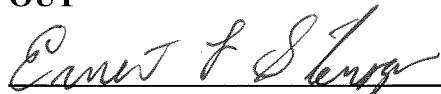
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council supports sharing the final draft report with Columbia Basin Tribes and First Nations, the NPCC, and other federal and state agencies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council supports moving forward in coordination with UCUT to Phase II: Experimental, pilot-scale salmon reintroductions and testing of interim passage facilities within the Upper Columbia River upstream of Chief Joseph and Grand Coulee Dams; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Chairman or his designee is authorized to sign any documents related to this request on behalf of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council held at the Tribal Administrative Building, 850 A Street, Plummer, Idaho, on March 21, 2019, with the required quorum present by a vote of 6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN 0 OUT



ERNEST L. STENSGAR, CHAIRMAN  
COEUR D'ALENE TRIBAL COUNCIL



DONALD E. SCZENSKI, SEC/TREASURER  
COEUR D'ALENE TRIBAL COUNCIL