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To: Walker, Mark
Subject: Fish Passage Center

Although I was unable to be at the hearing today regarding the Fish Passage Center, I would like my comments to be added to the record. As a fisheries technician I have worked on a number of projects in Oregon relating to wild salmon, particularly summer steelhead.

We really need the unbiased data that comes from the Fish Passage Center. It is very discouraging and disheartening that this valuable resource will no longer be funded because of some whim of congress. We need the Fish Passage Center to keep track of the number of salmon migrating each year. It is very callous and shortsighted to get rid of the Fish Passage Center especially in this state where salmon are such an important resource.

I urge that the Fish Passage Center be funded and continue to operate to help biologists, technicians and fisherpeople to put their best efforts toward keeping further salmon runs from going extinct.

Sincerely,
Barbara McLean