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To: Walker, Mark
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Hello:

I'm dismayed that the Fish Passage Center had its funding cut by Congress. Please ensure that any new entity created to take the place of the Fish Passage Center is a strong and independent source of fishery science for Northwest state and tribal fisheries managers. It would not be wise to have this new entity brought under the BPA or the Power Council - independence of study results could not be ensured. Any data generated by the entity replacing the Fish Passage Center should be made available to the public at no cost. The Fish Passage Center website had over 7 million visits per year, mostly from fishermen and fishing businesses. The Northwest needs the salmon, and the salmon need an independent scientific research entity to ensure their survival.

Sincerely, Ramona Rex, 17965 S.W. Hart Dr., Aloha, Oregon 97007