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Executive Director  
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To the Executive Director:

We understand that the Central Utah Water Conservancy District (CUWCD) is requesting recertification of Jordanelle Reservoir as a low impact hydroelectric facility, and that part of your consideration process is the CUWCD's ability to manage water flows to support the endangered June sucker.

The June Sucker Recovery Implementation Program (Program) is a compilation of agency and non-agency partners that work together towards the recovery of the endangered June sucker (*Chasmistes liorus*), and the Central Utah Water Conservancy District (CUWCD) is an active partner and participant in the Program. As part of this effort, CUWCD works with us and other Program partners annually to determine appropriate riverine peak and base flows to support June sucker spawning and other life stage requirements. Once appropriate flows are identified, CUWCD releases water from Jordanelle Reservoir and other reservoirs in the area to meet these flow recommendations.

By this letter, we are confirming that the CUWCD has provided appropriate discharges and releases to meet June sucker flow recommendations for the last 10 years. In addition, CUWCD is committed to providing the necessary releases to meet the appropriate peak and base flows to support June sucker recovery into the future.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on the CUWCD's recertification of Jordanelle Reservoir as a low-impact hydroelectric facility. If we can be of any further assistance, or if you have any questions, please contact George Weekley in our office at (801) 975-3330 extension 137.

Sincerely,

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