applications to control weeds and pests, and loss of fish and wildlife habitat in irrigation canals and drains.

See Declaration of David A. Solem in Support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Injunction, *Kandra* v. *United States*, No. 01–6124–TC, 2001 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 6932 (D. Or. Apr. 30, 2001), attached at Appendix L.

According to Rick Woodley, Director of Klamath County Soil and Water Conservation District, denial of water will adversely affect the soil in the region, which will have dramatic

regional significance.

Without normal crop production or establishment of cover crops on the bare soil, as it continues to dry, the entire Klamath Basin will see the full effect of life without water on the farmland. The loss of topsoil can never be recovered. The sedimentation (pollution) on the lakes, rivers, and streams of this basin, when rain does come, will have adverse effects to the very species this decision was designed to "protect."

Letter from Rick Woodley, Apr. 18,

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17. A complete discussion of mitigation and enhancement measures proposed to be undertaken if an exemption is granted.

The Bureau of Reclamation's February 13, 2001, Biological Assessment for the suckers incorporated planned and ongoing provisions from the 1992 and 1994 Biological Opinions that do not require unprecedented reservoir elevations. These measures are fully discussed in the Biological Assessment in Section 2.6, entitled "1992 and 1994 Biological Opinion Provisions," and in Section 13.0, entitled "Appendix 1 ESA Consultation Review." They encompass a wide range of substantial and effective mitigation and enhancement measures, including sucker toxicity studies, taxonomy projects, spawning enhancement, marsh restoration, watershed improvement, and many other measures. These measures may continue without prohibiting essential water diversions for irrigation and wildlife in the Klamath Basin.

III Conclusion

Delivering water according to Project contracts is likely to have little detrimental impact on endangered species. Yet operating the Project to withhold water, as the Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service have required, will destroy both wildlife habitat and human communities. Exemption applicants therefore ask the Endangered Species Committee to exempt the operation of the Klamath Project from the onerous water user restrictions imposed under

the Endangered Species Act. The Committee should allow the Klamath Project to operate according to historical practice, as the Bureau of Reclamation proposed.

July 2, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

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1. On June 11, 1991, the United States Department of the Interior Agreement on Compliance with the Endangered Species Act entered into. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service considered the agreement to be a request for formal consultation pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.

[End of Petition]

Section 451.02 of the Title 50, CFR requires the Secretary of Commerce or his designee to initially determine whether a petitioner is eligible to apply for an exemption, whether a petition is timely, and whether the petition presents all required information. If the Secretary or his designee determines that a petitioner is eligible to apply for an exemption and that the petition is timely and presents all required information, § 451.02(f)(3) of Title 50, CFR requires the Secretary or his designee to conduct a threshold review and make determinations in accordance with the requirements of § 452.03 of Title 50, CFR.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Lee Ann Carpenter on (202) 482–2583. Materials may be faxed to (202) 482–3195, to the attention of Ms. Carpenter.

Dated: July 11, 2001.

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Assistant Secretary for Export Administration.

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