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TO: SRFB Members and Designees
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SUBJECT: Smolt Monitoring Report

The SRFB has funded specific smolt trapping activities over the past several years due to funding shortfalls in the WDFW and the importance of smolt trapping to the recovery of salmon.

In December 2005, the SRFB funded another year of smolt trapping for four locations with the specific requirement that before any other funding proposals came to the SRFB that the WDFW must provide a presentation with the following:

1. Listing of all existing trap sites and fund source.
2. Listing of where traps should be located in order to monitor primary populations and meet needs for ESA delisting.
3. Evaluation of why, or why not, existing smolt trapping sites, that are not located in primary populations for ESA listed ESUs, cannot be reprioritized to cover existing shortfalls.
4. Explanation as to how proposed SRFB funded sites would comply with #2 above.

The September 12th presentation is the report to the SRFB on items 1-4 and a request for 2007 funding.

