

## Response to Comments

Town of Coulee Dam: WA-002028-1

### Comments on Proposed Permit

On January 21, 1993, the Environmental Protection Agency issued a public notice of proposed issuance of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit to the Town of Coulee Dam, with the outfall located on the Colville Indian Reservation. No comments were received during the 30-day public comment period.

### Other Input

*Input:* The Town of Coulee Dam provided its final sewage sludge permit application April 13, 1998, indicating the sludge would be co-disposed with municipal waste at the Delano Landfill outside the city of Grand Coulee.

*Response:* The permit has been revised to substitute land filling for land application.

*Input (Endangered species consultation):* The Environmental Protection Agency consulted with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service about potential impacts to threatened or endangered species by the proposed issuance of a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit to the Town of Coulee Dam, with the outfall located on the Colville Indian Reservation. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service provided information that bald eagles and bull trout are a threatened species that utilize the area.

*Response:* In evaluating the information provided, it is believed that this discharge will have no effect on these species.