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## Hastings Statement on Draft Recommendation on the Columbia River Treaty

**WASHINGTON, D.C.** – House Natural Resources Committee Chairman Doc Hastings (WA-04) today expressed continued concern over the U.S. Entity’s revised draft recommendation regarding potential modifications to the Columbia River Treaty. This morning, Chairman Hastings met with representatives of the U.S. Entity to discuss the latest draft recommendation and to express his concerns directly.

*“The U.S. Entity’s latest draft recommendation continues to raise contentious ecosystem concerns that only serve to distract from the essential task of working with Canada on the core issues under the Treaty – the need to rebalance power benefits and to address long-term flood control needs. As this process unfolds, I look forward to working with my colleagues to ensure that the final U.S. position on this matter is focused appropriately,”* **said Chairman Hastings.**

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