Date of Incident: January 16, 2020
Potential Liable Party: United States Army Corps of Engineers
Product Spilled: Hydraulic Oil
Spill Source: Power Generation Utility
Oil Spill Size Estimate: 35 gallons
Water Body Affected: Snake River
Ecology Region: ERO
County: Columbia
Nearest City: Dayton
Location of Spill: Little Goose Dam
Cause: Mechanical Failure
Ecology Responder: Anna Harris

Incident Summary: On January 16, 2020, the United States Army Corps of Engineers reported a hydraulic oil spill from a blown fish gear seal. At the time, an estimated 50-70 gallons of hydraulic oil was spilled to non-permeable containment. January 22, 2020, dam staff were pressure washing and noticed sheen in the waterway. They think it was caused by residual oil form the January 16 spill washing into the river. They estimate as much as 35 gallons was washed into the river. None of the oil was recovered.