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Non-WDOH comments:

- Page 2-21, Lines 36-40. Paragraph states that a component of the environmental monitoring program's water quality monitoring program was discontinued in 1995 after "years of data showed no discernable changes in river water quality..". Since no information is given for when that part of the program began, there is no way for the public or the decision maker to quantify the study.
- Page 2-26, Lines 6-11. Paragraph states that there is a limited number of groundwater-supply wells that provide drinking water. The paragraph lists three wells at FFTF, one well at the Hanford Patrol Training Center, and one at the Yakima Barricade. However, LIGO takes drinking water from a well. This should be listed also.
- Page 2-27, Line 14. Sentence states that the Columbia River crosses the west of the CGS site. The Columbia River is actually to the east of the site.
- General comment. The shrub-steppe ecosystem is prone to fire. In June of 2000, a fire burned over 200,000 acres of Hanford and neighboring property. Several other fires have been in the 10,000 to 100,000 acre range. There should be a discussion of fire risk in the EIS.
- Page 2-71, Line 20. Should be spelled "McChord".
- Page 2-17, Line 21. Should be "Yakima Training Center". Please note that the county and city are spelled Y-A-K-I-M-A. The Native American tribe is spelled Y-A-K-A-M-A.
- General Comment. In the cumulative impacts, there is no mention of the Pomona Heights to Vantage 230 kV line to be constructed by PacifiCorp starting in 2012. BLM is doing the EIS with Yakima Training Center as a cooperating agency.

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