

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

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SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. 86-56

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the governing body of the Squaxin Island Tribe of Indians by the authority of the constitution and by-laws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the general body and the secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; and,

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribe, a Treaty Fishing Tribe, as defined by the $\underline{\text{U.S. vs. Washington}}$ court decision, and a member of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission; and,

WHEREAS, the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission is the organization of the Treaty Tribes of Western Washington established to assist and coordinate the development of orderly and biologically sound treaty fisheries in the Pacific Northwest; and,

WHEREAS, the Treaty Tribes of Western Washington place the highest priority and commitment on the environmental protection of the fishery habitat so that the fishery might continue and thrive as a major factor in Tribal social and economic self-sufficiency plans; and,

WHEREAS, the Bonneville Power Administration is developing a consistent and verifiable river resource data base to identify resource considerations which might have a bearing on hydropower development; and,

WHEREAS, the Bonneville Power Administration is offering the Tribes, as resource managers, the opportunity and funding for computer hardware and software, to access this data base;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribe will participate in the Bonneville Power Administration's River Assessment Studies by way of reviewing data compiled thus far and will provide additional information as collected by the Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribe authorizes the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission to coordinate and submit a consolidated Tribal request to the Bonneville Power Administration for this funding.

CERTIFICATION

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Attested by: