

# House Joint Memorial 15

Sponsored by Representative HELM

## SUMMARY

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Urges United States Army Corps of Engineers to provide preliminary statement of feasibility for lowering Lake Celilo to level sufficient to reveal Celilo Falls during certain period.

## JOINT MEMORIAL

To the Commanding General and Chief of Engineers of the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the Commander and District Engineer of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District:

We, your memorialists, the Seventy-eighth Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, in legislative session assembled, respectfully represent as follows:

Whereas Celilo Falls was inundated on March 10, 1957, by the rising waters of Lake Celilo due to the commencement of operations of The Dalles Dam; and

Whereas Celilo Falls has not been seen since that day in 1957; and

Whereas a 2008 survey completed by the United States Army Corps of Engineers revealed that many features of Celilo Falls remain intact under the waters of Lake Celilo; now, therefore,

### **Be It Resolved by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon:**

(1) The United States Army Corps of Engineers is respectfully requested to provide to the Governor of the State of Oregon and the Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon, by December 31, 2015, a preliminary statement of feasibility for lowering Lake Celilo to a level sufficient to reveal Celilo Falls for one period lasting one to two weeks, at a time of year to be selected by the United States Army Corps of Engineers, that would occur between January 1, 2016, and January 1, 2020.

(2) A copy of this memorial shall be sent to the Commanding General and Chief of Engineers of the United States Army Corps of Engineers and the Commander and District Engineer of the United States Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District.

**NOTE:** Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.