Lewis and Clark Evaluation
What have we done and how's it working out (so far)?

- Began in 2002 and will wrap-up in 2006
- Funded by USFWS and BPA
- Coordinated by PSMFC
- First Efforts were directed in the Missouri Basin east
- Emphasis on the Columbia Basin east the last 3 years
- Although the “hordes” of new “boat toting” westward travelers didn’t materialize, L/C proved to be an incredible opportunity for ANS education and outreach
Did we take maximum advantage of that opportunity?

I think so, and here’s why:

The Missouri Basin Legacy

- Working Group to coordinate ANS issues in the Missouri Basin
- Annual ANS Coordination Meeting in the Basin
- Annual Missouri Basin “River Watch” Newsletter
- Outreach Partnership with 25 of the 54 Marina’s in the Missouri Basin
- 8 New TIS facilities with 10+ year life expectancy in the Basin
- Uniform and Basin-wide ANS Ramp Signs Created and 300+ Posted
- Vastly increased number of monitoring stations established
- Lots of ANS education and outreach opportunity for State Coordinators Stimulated by L/C Events and Activities
- A much more informed public throughout the Basin

With one more year to go!
The Columbia Basin Legacy

- Transformed and Energized Columbia Basin ANS Working Group
- Annual Columbia River “Basin Watch” Newsletter
- Working ANS Outreach Partnership with 100+ Marina, Resort, and Water-Dependant Business Throughout the Basin
- 1 New TIS Facility w/ Long-term Viability
- A Series of New ANS Signs and Banners Posted Throughout the Basin
- An Expanded Number of ZM Monitoring Sites
- A coordinated ANS Sign and Monitoring Database
- A much More Informed Public as a Result of Education and Outreach Opportunities Stimulated by L/C Events and Activities

W/ One More Year to Go!
Lewis and Clark Spin-offs

- More Complete Assessment of Monitoring Program Needs – New Veliger Sampling Emphasis, Protocol and Possible Processing Lab @ PSU
- Development of New Western States ANS Watercraft Inspection Training Program for Boating Law Enforcement Professionals
- Vastly Increased Boater Survey Data From all Western States
- Zebra Mussel Economic Impact Study for the Columbia River
- Columbia Basin Rapid Response Plan
- More State ANS Plans Completed and Approved
- Increased Agency Coordination, Awareness and Cooperation on ANS Issues
- TIS/Highway Sign Evaluation Study and Results
- ANS HAACP Training For Many State and Federal Facilities
- Loads of New and Re-printed ANS Publications
- And, On and On and On and On
So, How do you see it? Agree? Disagree?

I’d give it an over-all grade of “B”

How about You?