

SEPA DNS 22-010 Windy Point Commercial Thin - Phase 1

Looks good to me. Please continue to make efforts to increase the quality of habitats in the state, maximize fishing and hunting on wdfw managed lands, and prevent the spread of cwd into our cervid populations.

John Garman

February 16, 2022

Lisa Wood
SEPA/NEPA Coordinator
WDFW Regulatory Services Section
600 Capital Way North
Olympia, WA 98501-1091

Re: SEPA Register 202200487, DNS 22-010

Dear Lisa Wood:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Determination of Non Significance for the Windy Point Commercial Thin Phase 1 project. We have reviewed the documents and have the following comments.

WATER RESOURCES

If you plan to use water from the Tieton River for dust suppression at your project site, be sure that you have a legal right. In Washington State, prospective water users must obtain authorization from the Department of Ecology before diverting surface water. Temporary permits may be obtainable in a short time-period. In some instances water may need to be obtained from a different area and hauled in or from an existing water right holder.

If you have any questions or would like to respond to these Water Resources comments, please contact Christopher Kossik at (509) 454-7872 or email at christopher.kossik@ecy.wa.gov .

Sincerely,
Gwen Clear
Environmental Review Coordinator
Central Regional Office
(509) 575-2012
crosepa@ecy.wa.gov

I support this.

Warren Jackson

Attached are WSDOT s comments for DNS 22-010 Windy Point Commercial Thinning.

Mark Kaiser WSDOT - Planning
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February 11, 2022

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
PO Box 43200
Olympia, WA 98504

Attn: Lisa Wood; SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, and HPA Appeals Coordinator

RE: DNS 22-010 Windy Point Commercial Thinning
US 12 milepost 177.08 right

We have reviewed the proposed project and have the following comments.

- The subject property is adjacent to U.S. Highway 12 (US 12), a Class 2 managed access facility with a posted speed limit of 60 miles per hour. Currently, access to the property is permitted via the existing connection at milepost 117.08 right. In the provided checklist, the proponent does not indicate how many truck trips this project is expected to generate. Given the geometrics of the road approach to US 12, temporary traffic control along US 12 may be required for the proposed use. The proponent is required to contact Mark Kaiser of the WSDOT South Central Region Office to provide additional information and obtain any necessary permits. He can be reached at (509) 577-1668.
- All loads transported on WSDOT rights-of-way must be within the legal size and load limits or have a valid oversize and/or overweight permit.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to keep and maintain US 12 free of debris.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this proposal. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (509) 577-1635.

Sincerely,



Paul Gonseth, P.E.
Planning Engineer

PG: jjp/mnk

cc: SR 12, File #2022_001
Scott Clark, Area 2 Maintenance Superintendent

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SEPA Comment Responses

1. John Garman on 2/17/2022 @ 0835
“Looks good to me..”

Response:

Thank you for your feedback and support of WDFW’s habitat restoration work.

2. WDOE on 2/16/2022 @ 1015
“Must ensure have legal right/permit to access water from tieton river..”

Response:

Thank you for your feedback. WDFW will coordinate with WDOE via the listed persons on the comment to ensure legal access to water from the Tieton River for project activities and/or an approved alternative site if needed.

3. Warren Jackson on 2/15/2022 @ 0735
“I Support this”

Response:

Thank you for your feedback and support of WDFW’s habitat restoration work.

4. WSDOT on 2/14/2022 @ 0728
“Attached are comments....”
“How many loads, may need traffic control; loads must be within legal size limits or have oversize/weight permit; applicant must keep US12 free of debris”

Response:

Thank you for your feedback. WDFW will coordinate with WSDOT via the listed persons on the comment to provide information on anticipated project traffic and ensure all needed permits are secured for implementation.