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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 23-047: CHAPMAN LAKE ACCESS DEVELOPMENT

Description of Proposal:

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) is proposing to develop a public access area on the southern end of Chapman Lake in Spokane County. The proposed project includes developing a single-lane boat launch, asphalt turnaround, gravel parking area, and a gravel access road from S. Cheney Plaza Road. Additionally, the project would install an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible vault toilet, parking areas, and picnic areas. The proposed scope of work includes:

- installing a 12-foot (ft) x 32-ft precast concrete plank boat ramp,
- articulated concrete mats (ACM), 4 ft wide on either side and 8 ft long at the bottom of the ramp,
- a 20 ft wide asphalt paved access road from the parking lot with a turn-around and ADA-accessible parking stall,
- gravel parking lot with two paved parking stalls for ADA accessibility,
- a 5 ft gravel walkway leading from the parking area to the vault toilet and 2 picnic table pads,
- gravel access road and associated stormwater features from S Cheney Plaza Road to the main parking area.

The gravel access road will lead from S. Cheney Plaza Rd approximately 1 mile to the proposed access area, with a gravel parking/turnaround area near the start of the road.

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Proposed access site is located on the southeast portion of Chapman Lake, south of Cheney, Spokane County, Washington: Township 22N, Range 41E, Section 36.

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law¹ does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS).

WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.² **We will not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. The comment period will end at **5:00 pm on December 20, 2023**.

Method of Comment:

SEPA documents related to this proposal can be reviewed at the WDFW SEPA website at: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/open-comments>.

The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA proposals. Comments received through these procedures are part of the official SEPA record for this proposal. You can submit your comments through one of the following ways:

- Online at the Public Input comment portal for this proposal:
<https://publicinput.com/ChapmanLakeAccess>
- Email to: ChapmanLakeAccess@PublicInput.com

Responsible Official: Lisa Wood

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Habitat Program, Protection Division

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/closed-final>. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law.¹

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, or have difficulty with the Public Input comment portal, contact Lisa Wood at: SEPADesk2@dfw.wa.gov.

DATE OF ISSUE: December 6, 2023

SIGNATURE:



Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)
2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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