

PROPOSAL – Lake Creek

5,542 Acres

Conservation Values

- Critical habitat for sage grouse and sharp-tailed grouse
- Over 90% shrub-steppe habitat and also includes wet meadows, aspen and open water
- Mule deer and white-tailed jackrabbit habitat connectivity areas
- Provides connectivity to public lands

Recreation Values

- Deer and upland bird hunting
- Fishing
- Wildlife viewing

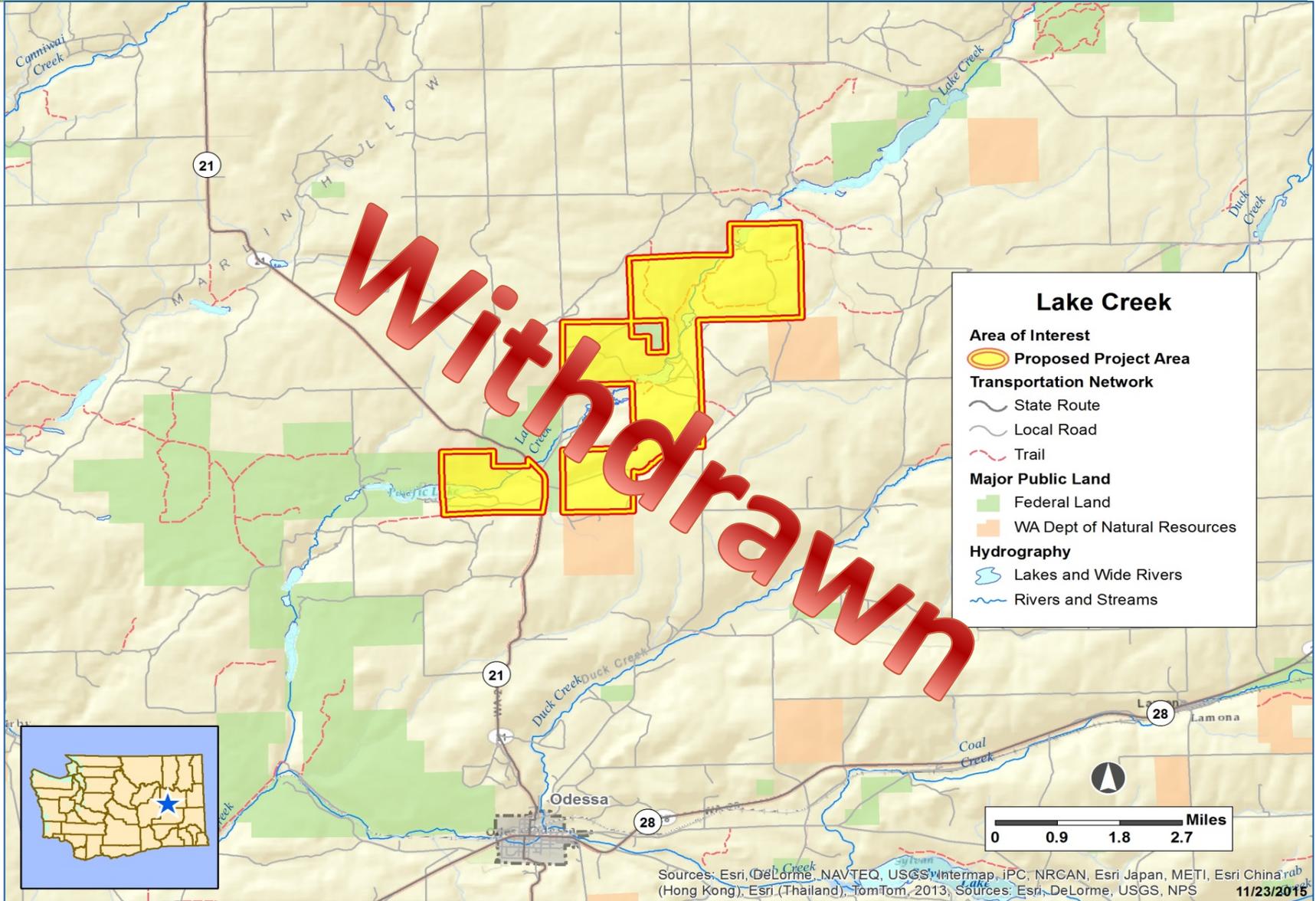
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Agency	Department of Fish and Wildlife
Estimated Acres	5,542
Existing Uses	Once an active cattle ranch, cows have been removed for over three years. This ranch has been on the market for over five years.
Threats	Fragmentation of large ranch into small hobby ranches and private recreation.
Intended Uses	Expansion of sharp-tailed and sage grouse populations. Recreation opportunities include mule deer and waterfowl hunting, and fishing at Deer Lake. This area would become part of the Spangle Lakes Wildlife Area.
Project Description	This parcel includes 5,542 acres of intact shrub-steppe habitat (90%) located in the Lake Creek drainage. The Lake Creek drainage has been identified as an area of high importance for wildlife connectivity (mule deer, sage grouse, white-tailed jackrabbit). Habitat also includes riparian, channel scablands, cliffs and talus, wet meadows, aspen and open water. Species use includes: sage grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, sage thrasher, loggerhead shrike, peregrine falcon, bald eagle, golden eagle, white-tailed jackrabbit, great blue heron, mule deer, rainbow trout, prairie falcon.
Partners/Supporters	Inland Northwest Land Conservancy, Spokane Audubon, Mule Deer Foundation, BLM, Pheasants Forever, Ducks Unlimited



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