



State of Washington

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: LAKE TERRELL FISHING PIER

Description of Proposal:

The Whatcom Wildlife Area, Lake Terrell Access fishing pier that is currently in use needs replacement. This project, conducted in two phases, is designed to enhance accessible fishing and wildlife viewing opportunities by removing the old fishing pier, and installing a new fishing pier.

PHASE ONE: involves installation of a 6' wide and 150 feet long grated fishing pier extending into the waters of Lake Terrell. Other elements of this project that will be stationed above ordinary high water (OHW) include: gravel parking area, ADA accessible parking, a vault toilet, a walkway, 200' bioswale, a kiosk and landscaping. An existing gravel roadway will be used to access the site. A turnout will be added midway, however no additional improvements to the access road are planned. The existing fiberglass vault toilet shall be removed.

PHASE TWO: This portion of the project will add a (10 foot by 40 foot) T-shaped fishing platform on to the end of the walking platform installed in phase one, with the addition of ADA accessible railing. In addition, the existing fishing pier and float shall be removed. See site drawings for additional information

Proponent/Applicant:

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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Whatcom Wildlife Area. Lake Terrell Unit, Washington, Whatcom County, Section 21, Township 39 North, Range 1 East WM (48.863372,-122.687746). The site is reached from Interstate 5, take exit 260 (Lummi Island/Slater Rd). Proceed West on Slater Rd 6 miles to flashing red light (Lake Terrell Rd). Take a Right (N) on Lake Terrell Road for approximately 3 miles. The road ends at the Lake Terrell Wildlife Area headquarters.

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. This means we must receive your comments by **November 8, 2010**

Method of Comment:

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 any one of the following ways:

- Email to SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/>
- Fax to (360) 902-2946;
- Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: Teresa A. Eturaspe

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/> 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, contact Teresa Eturaspe at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2575.

DATE OF ISSUE: October 25, 2010 **SIGNATURE:** 

Footnotes

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

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