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Bob Zeigler, SEPA/NEPA Coordinator
WA State Department of Fish & Wildlife
Regulatory Services Section
600 Capitol Way North
Olympia, WA 98501-1091

Dear Mr. Zeigler:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the determination of nonsignificance for the Voights Creek Hatchery Replacement project located 1.3 miles southeast of Orting as proposed by Marty Peoples, WA State Department of Fish & Wildlife (WDFW). The Department of Ecology (Ecology) reviewed the environmental checklist and has the following comment(s):

**SHORELANDS & ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE:
Alex Callender (360) 407-6167**

This project appears to be in shoreline jurisdiction and must be consistent with the Shoreline Management Act (SMA) and the Pierce County Shoreline Master Program (SMP). There is in water work proposed. The applicant should submit a Joint Aquatic Resource Permit Application (JARPA) with site plans and any studies that are relevant to the following:

US Army Corps of Engineers
Attn: Lori Lull
PO Box 3755
Seattle, WA 98124-3755

Department of Ecology
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The application mentions that fill is proposed in an adjacent wetland. Is there any mitigation proposed? I would like to arrange a site visit to view on site conditions.

WATER RESOURCES: Vicki Cline (360) 407-0278

Ecology's Water Resources program received a pre-application form from the WDFW on January 22, 2013 requesting a meeting to discuss this project.

Ecology's comments are based upon information provided by the lead agency. As such, they may not constitute an exhaustive list of the various authorizations that must be obtained or legal requirements that must be fulfilled in order to carry out the proposed action.

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If you have any questions or would like to respond to these comments, please contact the appropriate reviewing staff listed above.

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cc: Alex Callender, SEA
Vicki Cline, WR
Marty Peoples, WDFW (Applicant)