

August 27, 2013

WA Dept. of Fish & Wildlife
600 Capitol Way N.
Olympia WA 98501-1091

Attn: SEPA Responsible Official
Habitat Program
Email: SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov

RE: Fazon Lake Outlet Beaver Dam Removal – Whatcom County
Ref: SEPA Comments

Dear Mr. Bob Zeigler,

We own the acreage directly adjacent to the east of the WDFW boat launch easement for Fazon Lake. We have lived there since 1988. Every year we run a few head of cattle on our acreage to accommodate for vegetation control and provide a low cost feed option for them. For the past two years we have not been able to accomplish this due to the high water level in our field that borders the bank of Fazon Lake. We thought it was because of the significant amount of rainfall this area has experienced; not realizing it was due to the man-made lake outlet being dammed by beaver.

We now know what the problem is and have heard that the WDFW is filing appropriate paperwork to go through the legal process of SEPA comments. We want the WDFW to know that for the good of our farm and cattle, we are in favor of removing the dam and/or future dams and the beaver accordingly.

Thank you for your consideration of our request and your many efforts in managing our wildlife resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jean Laird" with "su" and "Laird" written below it.

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