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Re: DNS 14-063

Dear Ms. Wood:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the determination of nonsignificance for the Buzzard Lake Boat Launch Improvement Project. We have reviewed the documents and have the following comments.

**SHORELANDS/ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE**

The environmental checklist indicates that site grading and filling will occur up to and within Buzzard Lake. This activity will require state authorization under 90.48.080 RCW. Because the proposed wetland impacts are not summarized in the environmental checklist, it is difficult to fully evaluate this project and provide specific comments to the applicant. Impacts to wetlands require state and federal authorization. Wetlands within the project area need to be delineated. Once delineated, the wetland boundaries will also need to be field-verified by Ecology or the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). Compensatory mitigation is required for unavoidable wetland impacts.

If you have any questions or would like to respond to these Shorelands/Environmental Assistance comments, please contact **Andrea Jedel** at (509) 454-4260.

Sincerely,

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