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NOTICE OF FINAL DETERMINATION

PROJECT NAME: YAKIMA RIVER EDGE STRUCTURES

DATE ISSUED: September 18, 2014 - DATE FINAL: November 20, 2014

SEPA NUMBER: DNS 14-067

Under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and WAC 197-11-340(2), the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) issued a

Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS)

Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (MDNS)

Revised Determination of Nonsignificance (RDNS)

This threshold determination is hereby:

Retained.

Revised. Modifications to this threshold determination include the following: The project has been modified to address public comments and the following mitigation measures have been added:

Project Design and Location:

- The total number of habitat structures to be constructed will be 32 or fewer.
- The number of Type 2 structures to be constructed will be reduced to one.
- The locations of the Type 1 structures will be reduced to avoid an area where the low flow navigation channel is within 25 feet of the shoreline (see revised project location map).
- The project will adhere to conditions required by Washington Department of Natural resources through the boater safety checklist process.
- In water work will be limited to vertical placement of trees/logs with attached rootwads using full suspension and/or using a vibratory excavator attachment to drive pile anchors.
- The project site will be inspected by Yakama Nation biologists to prevent work from adversely impacting any incubating chinook or coho redds.
- Excavation outside of the wetted perimeter will occur at some locations within the floodplain on dry gravel bars. If groundwater is encountered during excavation on gravel bars such that it poses a risk of contaminating surface water with sediment, the wastewater will be routed or pumped to an upland settling area.
- A Hydraulic Project Approval is required by WDFW prior to beginning work.

Impacts to State Parks Land:

- Until an access and restoration agreement is reached between Washington State Parks and the Yakama Nation, restoration work will be limited to the north side of the Yakima River from and on Bonneville Power Administration and Department of Natural Resources owned/managed lands.
- The project shall be limited to a maximum of 20 total log truck trips on State Parks land to deliver material.
- The project shall be limited to a maximum of 10 log truck trips per day on State Parks land to deliver material.
- The project shall be limited to up to 15 days over the course of up to two years for restoration activities involving the use of State Parks land.
- Heavy equipment will transport machinery or materials on State Parks land only between the hours of 5:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.
- Servicing equipment and handling woody material on State Parks land will occur only between the hours of 5:00 am and 4:00 pm.
- Impacts to riparian habitat on State Parks land shall be limited as much as practical. All areas larger than three square feet that have not regained riparian growth after one growing season shall be replanted with riparian shrubs and trees that are native to the ecoregion. Density of replanting shall be one bare root or potted plant per nine square feet.
- Weed control on State Parks land shall occur as necessary to ensure reestablishment of native riparian plants.
- Dust abatement at the South Cle Elum depot and on State Parks land will occur if weather dictates.
- Snow removal on State Parks land will occur if needed, and will be coordinated with State Parks staff.

[] Withdrawn. WDFW is considering making substantial changes to the proposal based upon an evaluation of new information that was brought to our attention during the comment period. A new threshold determination will be made upon completion of the proposal revision.

[] Extended. A final threshold determination has not been made. This SEPA proposal is under additional review. You will be notified when a final determination is made.

Any comments received for this proposal are attached. This document is a part of the official SEPA record; retain this with your original checklist and determination.

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Date: November 20, 2014

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