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SW Region: SEA, Water Resources, and Toxics Cleanup Programs
Attn: Alex Callendar, SEA; Vicki Cline, WR; and Mohsen Kourehdar, TCP
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Re: Tumwater Falls Hatchery Redevelopment Project (DNS 15-001)

Dear Alex Callendar, SEA; Vicki Cline, WR; and Mohsen Kourehdar, TCP:

Thank you all for commenting on the Determination of Nonsignificance for the proposed Tumwater Falls Hatchery Redevelopment project. The project includes replacement of the adult ponds, addition of an abatement pond, a new water intake, and associated improvements for visitors at the Tumwater Falls Fish Hatchery.

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) wishes to clarify any questions about regulatory compliance with our responses per the areas of concern outlined below. As the lead agency protecting, or managing the wise use, of Washington State's fish and wildlife resources, WDFW takes regulatory compliance very seriously.

Shorelands and Environmental Assistance (SEA)

The project drawings are not final as they are incorporating minor changes in the grading plan to address stormwater management needs. Once these drawings are final the Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application (JARPA) will be completed and submitted to the US Army Corps of Engineers, City of Tumwater, Department of Natural Resources, WDFW for the required Hydraulic Project Approval (HPA), and to the Department of Ecology, Attn: Alex Callendar, SEA Program.

Toxics Cleanup

Ecology's correspondence dated January 20, 2015 lists the Old Brewhouse former Paint Shop, FSID #6029672 as a site within a quarter mile of the project as an indication that there may be contamination nearby. Of greater concern, for this project, is the Tumwater Falls Park Reclaimed Water Lines, FSID #4637, where two soil contaminants are listed: Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs) and lead. This contaminated site overlaps the hatchery project area where soils will be disturbed. WDFW is prepared to address the likely presence of these contaminants and has developed a soil sampling plan that is being reviewed by the land owners. WDFW will work directly with Mohsen Kourehdar on this component of this redevelopment project.

Water Resources

Project engineers have assessed the water needs of the project, which remain for the same use of fish collection and fish ladder ("fish trap and fishways"). The point of diversion documentation will be

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updated through the appropriate water rights documents that include staff review by others within WDFW. We will work with Vicki Cline per the recommendations outlined in SEPA response letter from the Southwest Regional Office.

Should any of you have further questions, do not hesitate to enquire.

Sincerely,



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