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Subject: RE: Comment on SEPA No. 19031
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Danny;

Thank you for your comments regarding our upcoming rotenone treatments; they are now part of the official record of this project.

Currently, the lakes proposed for treatment offer little to no angling opportunity for trout or warmwater species. Beda Lake is filled with stunted (=4 inch) pumpkinseed sunfish and some trout. East and West Sage and Katy lakes have carp, stunted panfish, and some trout. Burke Lake has yellow perch that each year increase in abundance and decrease in average size. The majority of yellow perch are =6 inches. Each of these species directly compete for aquatic foods with trout or negatively impact water quality (carp).

Our inland trout fisheries are the most popular in Washington, based off angler preference surveys performed about every five years. Properly managed, these lakes will provide excellent opportunities for anglers across the state and will be a boon for local businesses. Chemical rehabilitations are the most effective way to restore these fisheries and increase angler participation and opportunity.

There are several lakes statewide that provide angling opportunity for warmwater species. Within Grant and Adams counties warmwater fishing lakes include: Long Lake, Soda, Hutchinson-Shiner, Evergreen Reservoir and Stan Coffin, just to name a few.

Thank you again for your comments and I hope these answers and explanations have been helpful.

Sincerely,

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I am against treatment of all the lakes under SEPA No. 19031. If it is true, that sunfish and perch have been “illegally” put in these lakes, then maybe that is what the people want. Treatment for the purpose of stocking trout is a waste of time and money that WDFW has little of right now. I find your 10,000 fishing trips per year to Burke lake extremely optimistic.

Thanks, Danny



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