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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 19-049: I-82 POND 3 TIGER TROUT

Description of Proposal:

This proposal is to stock Tiger Trout (a sterile cross between brook trout and brown trout) into I-82 Pond 3 (Yakima County) in September 2019. These fish will provide a unique angling opportunity in the region. Agency staff will conduct stocking assessments beginning in the spring of 2020 to determine the size and quality of the fish. Subsequent stocking will be determined based on Tiger Trout survival, growth, and angler utilization.

Tiger trout are sterile thus reproduction does not occur allowing density control. Competition can be controlled through elimination of future stocking.

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Location of Proposal: I-82 Pond 3, located approximately 1 mile southeast of Donald, Yakima County, Washington: Township 11N, Range 19E, Section 1.

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law¹ does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.² **We will not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. The comment period will end and comments must be received by **5:00 pm on September 4, 2019.**

Method of Comment:

The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA proposals. Comments received through these procedures are part of the official SEPA record for this proposal.

You can submit your comments any one of the following ways:

- Email to SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at:
<https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/open-comments>
- Fax to (360) 902-2946
- Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: Lisa Wood

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Habitat Program, Protection Division

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa>. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law.¹

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Lisa Wood at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2260.

DATE OF ISSUE: August 21, 2019

SIGNATURE:



Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)
2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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