



State of Washington  
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**DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

**Name of Proposal:** DNS 20-004: CALAWAH WILD STEELHEAD BROODSTOCK PROGRAM AT THE BOGACHIEL HATCHERY

**Description of Proposal:**

This program replaces the current wild broodstock program on the Bogachiel River. Within the last couple years since the program has switched to the Bogachiel River, there have been two major landslides impacting efforts to obtain broodstock. The Calawah River tends to run clearer during the winter months. Additionally, finding a suitable acclimation site has been problematic. The existing Calawah Acclimation site would provide a suitable site to release steelhead from.

Approximately 19,000 2019 brood year juvenile steelhead from wild Calawah steelhead adults will be reared and released from Calawah Acclimation Pond into their natal stream at approximately RM 1. Release size will be greater than 10 fpp in April and May of 2020. Broodstock will be captured by hook and line or seine within the Calawah River primarily by local guide association members. Many of the drift boats have live tanks on board to accommodate holding of the wild steelhead. Adult steelhead will then be transferred to WDFW planting tanks where they are then transported to the Bogachiel Hatchery for holding until ready to spawn. Every attempt will be made to live spawn broodstock and return back to the Calawah. All released smolts will be adipose clipped with additional external mark or coded wire tagged. Subsequent years will have a release goal of 35,000 to 50,000 progeny from wild parents.

**Proponent/Applicant:** Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)  
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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** Bogachiel Fish Hatchery, 2944 Bogachiel Way, Forks, Clallam County, Washington: Township 28N, Range 13W, Section 18.

**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 law<sup>1</sup> 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.<sup>2</sup> **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 notice. The comment period will end at **5:00 pm on January 31, 2020.**

**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](mailto: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/closed-final>. 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.<sup>1</sup>

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:** January 17, 2020

**SIGNATURE:**



Footnotes

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

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