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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 20-039: BEAVER CREEK HATCHERY RISK ROAD FISH TRAP UPGRADE

Description of Proposal:

The Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) proposes to upgrade the Risk Road Fish Trap. This trap allows returning fish to be caught and moved when low flows might otherwise prevent those fish from reaching the WDFW hatchery. The proposed work is needed to keep this facility productive and safe. Neighboring parcels are agricultural.

WDFW proposes the following scope of work:

1. Clean and expose footings of existing crane and all bolts and fasteners.
2. Unbolt existing crane, piece by piece and load onto a flatbed trailer for removal.
3. The pre-fabricated parts of the new crane will be assembled using a boom truck or other equipment onto the existing footings.
4. Two new pre-formed concrete blocks will be placed on native ground to serve as counter balance for the crane.
5. Work site will be cleaned up after work is completed.

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Elochoman River east of Foster Road, approximately 2 miles northeast of Cathlamet, Wahkiakum County, Washington: Township 9N, Range 6W, Section 36.

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 at **5:00 pm on September 3, 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
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at: <http://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.¹

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Lisa Wood at the address above or email SEPADesk2@dfw.wa.gov.

DATE OF ISSUE: August 20, 2020

SIGNATURE:



Footnotes

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

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