

State of Washington DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 43200, Olympia, WA 98504-3200 • (360) 902-2200 • TDD (360) 902-2207 Main Office Location: Natural Resources Building, 1111 Washington Street SE, Olympia, WA

ADDENDUM 21-025 TO DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS) 20-060 DATED: DECEMBER 17, 2020

Name of Proposal: DNS 20-060: DEER LAKE ACCESS REDEVELOPMENT

Description of Addendum 21-025:

Original mitigation and other elements of the proposed work have been modified as indicated below in underlined red font. See maps/plans for locations of Mitigation Areas.

Description of Original Proposal:

WDFW is proposing a project to improve the existing boat launch and existing facilities at the Deer Lake Access located in Island County, WA. The project area is approximately 7,000 sf and includes work both above and below OHWM. The work will include the removal of an existing concrete boat launch, installation of a pre-cast concrete boat launch, installation of an "L" shaped boarding float including three (3) 6'x21' float sections and two (2) 8" steel pilings, asphalt paving the existing gravel parking area, adding ADA parking stalls, and maintenance and widening of the entry road. Ground disturbance will include excavation of 6" depth of the existing grade above the launch and excavation of 12" depth for the boat launch (See Cut/Fill Table on Sheet 5). The boat launch will include nine (9) 12'x4' precast concreate planks and 42'x24 ft of articulated concrete mats (ACM) which will require a total footprint of 634 sq ft below OHWM and 162 sq ft above OHWM. A concrete float abutment (6'x9.5') will be cast in place above OHWM and will anchor the float sections.

Mitigation

After the existing concrete launch and associated fill is removed, an ultra block curb will be installed and 10'x35' (350 sf) of spawning gravels will be added to a depth of 4" along the shoreline and below OHWM. The curb is meant to prevent informal launching of boats along the shoreline area, increase pervious surface (+92 sf increase, after concrete is removed), and provide enhanced shoreline habitat for fish species, which include resident coastal cutthroat, largemouth bass and rainbow trout. This lake is stocked annually with rainbow trout. Large woody debris (LWD) will be placed along an area of shoreline at the south end of the site that is inaccessible to bank anglers due to existing vegetation. This LWD placement will be anchored in place to prevent it from floating into the lake and creating boating hazards. This LWD material is intended to create nearshore habitat and refugia for cutthroat and other fish species.

The impact below OHWM, within the 15 ft wetland buffer and the increase in upland impervious surface will be offset with three areas of upland compensatory mitigation. This includes the removal of invasive plant species (*English laurel, English holly, Japanese knotweed, Himalayan blackberry*) within **700 SF** near the water's edge along the south property line (Mitigation Area A). Native species such as salmonberry, Douglas' spirea and several mature Douglas fir trees

currently exist within this area. These species will be left in place. Shade tolerant conifers (Western hemlock/Western red cedar) will be planted within this area. Additionally, 40 native shrubs will be planted within this area to establish native species where invasive species were removed. Invasive plants will also be removed from an area adjacent to the fence line, **180 SF**, near wetland A (Mitigation Area B). Scooler's willow stakes will be planted in this area after invasives are removed to reduce potential for invasive species re-growth. English ivy will be removed from an **800 SF** area along the east property line (Mitigation Area C). Native species and existing conifer saplings will remain in place. Fine bark mulch will be added to a depth of 8 inches to slow the re-growth of English Ivy and allow native plant species already present on site to recolonize over time. Species that currently exist onsite including, Western red cedar saplings, Douglas fir saplings, big leaf maple saplings, salmonberry, sword fern, lady fern and herbaceous species such as creeping buttercup, are expected to establish in this area.

After the existing concrete launch and associated fill is removed, an ultra block curb will be installed. The curb is meant to prevent informal launching of boats along the shoreline area, increase pervious surface (+92 SF increase, after soil compacted area is removed), and provide enhanced shoreline habitat for fish species. This lake is stocked annually with rainbow trout and cutthroat trout.

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

Contact: Anna Sample 600 Capitol Way N Olympia, WA 98501 (360) 790-0868

AnnaMarie.Sample@dfw.wa.gov

Location of Proposal, including street, if any: 4330 Bucktail Lane, Clinton, Island County, Washington: Township 29N, Range 3E, Section 26.

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

This addendum is being distributed pursuant to WACs 197-11-600 and 197-11-625. The updated information provided above does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts in the existing environmental checklist. Based on the original DNS and the updated information provided in this addendum, we have determined that a new threshold determination is not warranted. There is no comment period associated with this SEPA addendum.

Responsible Official: Lisa Wood

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

Address: P.O. Box 43200, Olympia, WA 98504-3200

Applicants may view the supporting documents for this addendum on the WDFW SEPA website: https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/closed-final.

Page 3

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

DATE OF ISSUE: June 15, 2021 SIGNATURE: How Wood

SEPA Log Number: ADD 21-025 to DNS 20-060

Individuals who need to receive this information in an alternative format or language, or who need reasonable accommodations to participate in WDFW-sponsored public meetings or other activities may contact the Title VI/ADA Compliance Coordinator by phone at 360-902-2349, TTY (711), or email (<u>Title6@dfw.wa.gov</u>).