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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 22-017: PONDS 4 AND 5 ACCESS REDEVELOPMENT

Description of Proposal:

WDFW proposes to replace an existing fishing float with a new fishing float, replace the parking barriers and the vault restroom, and construct an Americans with Disability Act (ADA) compliant pathway to the float. The primary purpose of this project is to provide a new float with additional space to accommodate anglers and an accessible pathway to the float.

- Mark the excavation and clearing limits
- Remove the wood parking barriers and replace with plastic wheel stops
- Excavate the footprint for the new ADA accessible pathway
- Grade crushed surfacing top course (CSTC) material over the ADA accessible pathway
- Grade CSTC within the footprint of the existing hand launch area. No material will be spread below the ordinary high water mark (OHWM).
- Remove the existing float
- Install the new fishing float
- Remove the existing restroom and install the new CXT Single Gunnison restroom
- Remove abandoned vault toilet and vault between Ponds 4 and 5.

The new U-shaped float will be 41-feet wide by 53-feet long. A new ADA accessible pathway will be created to provide access to the float. The area for the hand launch will be refurbished with CSTC and graded. The existing parking barriers will be removed and replaced, and a new CXT Single Gunnison restroom will be installed.

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: WDFW Ponds 4 and 5 Public Access on Flint Road, 3.5 miles east of Wapato, Yakima County, Washington: Township 11N, Range 20E, Section 17.

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 April 18, 2022**.

Method of Comment:

SEPA documents related to this proposal can be reviewed at the WDFW SEPA website at: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/open-comments>.

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 through one of the following ways:

- Online at the Public Input comment portal for this proposal: <https://publicinput.com/Ponds4and5Access>
- Email to: Ponds4and5Access@PublicInput.com

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, or have difficulty with the Public Input comment portal, contact Lisa Wood at: SEPADesk2@dfw.wa.gov.

DATE OF ISSUE: April 4, 2022

SIGNATURE:



Footnotes

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

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