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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS) AND ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT (CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION)

Name of Proposal: DNS/Adoption 22-058: ROZA DIVERSION DAM FISH SCREEN REPLACEMENT

Description of Proposal:

During the non-irrigation seasons of 2023 and 2024, Reclamation proposes to convert the Roza Canal headworks and fish screen structure, consisting of large rotating drum screens (that do not meet fish passage criteria and are beyond their service life) located in five trash rack protected bays that terminate in a fish collector and bypass system, to a new system of in-river submerged, rotating, self-baffling, and self-cleaning T-screens. Modifications proposed to the screening area include saw-cutting the existing concrete headwalls and placing new concrete support structures for the slide gates and tracks associated with the new screens. Ten 8-foot diameter by 31.5-foot long stainless steel, wedge-wire T-screens would be installed in-river for this project.

The construction for the fish screen would take place in two stages—there would be two years of construction, anticipated to be 2023/24 and 2024/25, which would each take place within an October 15 through March 31 in-water work window. This SEPA determination covers both stages of the work.

WDFW has made a Determination of Non-Significance and is adopting a NEPA Categorical Exclusion under SEPA rules.

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Location of Proposal: U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Roza Diversion Dam located approximately 10 miles north of Yakima, Kittitas County, Washington: Township 15N, Range 19E, Sections 32 and 33.

Title and Date of Document being Adopted: Categorical Exclusion Checklist dated December 9, 2022, and cover letter digitally signed December 15, 2022, which together make up the Categorical Exclusion.

Agency that Prepared Document Being Adopted: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation.

Description of Document (or Portion) Being Adopted: The entire Categorical Exclusion for this project.

If the Document Being Adopted has been Challenged, Please Describe: N/A

Name of Agency Adopting the Document: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

The Documents are Available to be Read at:

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife - Natural Resources Building,
1111 Washington Street SE, Olympia, WA, Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

These documents are also available for review online at:

<https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/open-comments>

The digitally signed Categorical Exclusion documents and referenced Inadvertent Discovery Plan are available upon request.

We issued this Determination of Nonsignificance/Adoption Notice under WAC 197-11-340(2), WAC 197-11-610, and WAC 197-11-630. Agencies, 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 determination. The comment period will end at **5:00 pm on January 4, 2023**.

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 through one of the following ways:

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

Responsible Official: Lisa Wood

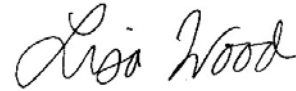
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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/closed-final>. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take 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/Adoption 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: December 21, 2022 **SIGNATURE:**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lisa Wood". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L".

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)

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