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 SEPA DNS 23-009 Sedro Woolley Boat Launch

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Hello Lisa,

I am providing written comments from SRSC, on behalf of the Swinomish and Sauk-Suiattle tribes in regard to SEPA DNS 23-009 to rebuild the Riverfront Boat Launch on the Skagit River near Sedro Woolley. I have also submitted these via the online portal today.

I understand that the state has determined the project will not have a likely significant adverse impact on the environment. We would like the state to consider the water quality impacts of the construction action and the ongoing use of the site by vehicles and boats, and consider grading that could mitigate water quality impacts to the river. In particular, we are considering the runoff from trucks, boats, and trailers and if that runoff and drip water could be captured and routed away from the river for informal treatment through swales or percolation. Alternative, please consider if the runoff could more formally be treated through engineered bioswales or other measures. This would ensure a minimization of impacts due to runoff and pollution.

Additionally, I notice there is a small concrete pad riverward of the boat launch that is noted in the site plans. What is the function of this pad? WDFW should consider removal of the pad if it is not directly supportive of the intent of the project, in order to minimize runoff and hardening of the Skagit River shoreline.

And finally, I expect an appropriate in-water fish window will be required for the project to ensure impacts to Skagit River fish are minimized.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this proposal. Please get in touch if you have any questions or would like to discuss further.

Sincerely,

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