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DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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WDFW SEPADesk
WA State Department of Fish and Wildlife
PO Box 43200
Olympia, WA 98504-3200

Dear WDFW SEPADesk:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the determination of nonsignificance for the Violet Prairie New Trailhead Development Project (24-045) located at 16701 Old Highway 99 Southeast as proposed by WDFW Bio Anna Sample. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) reviewed the environmental checklist and has the following comment(s):

HAZARDOUS WASTE & TOXICS REDUCTION: Garret Peck (564) 669-0836

The applicant proposes to demolish an existing structure(s). In addition to any required asbestos abatement procedures, the applicant should ensure that any other potentially dangerous or hazardous materials present, such as PCB-containing lamp ballasts, fluorescent lamps, and wall thermostats containing mercury, are removed prior to demolition. It is important that these materials and wastes are removed and appropriately managed prior to demolition. It is equally important that demolition debris is also safely managed, especially if it contains painted wood or concrete, treated wood, or other possibly dangerous materials.

Please review the “Dangerous Waste Rules for Demolition, Construction, and Renovation Wastes,” posted at Ecology’s website, <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Guidance-technical-assistance/Dangerous-waste-guidance/Common-dangerous-waste/Construction-and-demolition> . The applicant may also contact Katy Harvey of Ecology’s Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program at katy.harvey@ecy.wa.gov for more information about safely handling dangerous wastes and demolition debris.

SHORELANDS & ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE: Lizzie Carp, (564) 200-4184

A parking lot is proposed within the inner half of the buffer of wetland C and within the buffer of stream 2. The applicant should demonstrate why it is necessary to construct this parking lot and why it is not practicable to move it further from the wetland boundary. For questions, please contact Ecology wetland/shoreland specialist Lizzie Carp at lizzie.carp@ecy.wa.gov or (564)-200-4184.

SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT: Derek Rockett (360) 995-3176

All grading and filling of land must utilize only clean fill. All other materials may be considered solid waste and permit approval may be required from your local jurisdictional

health department prior to filling. All removed debris resulting from this project must be disposed of at an approved site. Contact the local jurisdictional health department or Department of Ecology for proper management of these materials.

TOXICS CLEANUP: Thomas Middleton (360) 999-9594

If contamination is suspected, discovered, or occurs during the proposed SEPA action, testing of the potentially contaminated media must be conducted. If contamination of soil or groundwater is readily apparent, or is revealed by testing, Ecology must be notified. Contact the Environmental Report Tracking System Coordinator for the Southwest Regional Office (SWRO) at (360) 407-6300. For assistance and information about subsequent cleanup and to identify the type of testing that will be required, contact Thomas Middleton with the SWRO, Toxics Cleanup Program at the phone number provided above.

Ecology's comments are based upon information provided by the lead agency. As such, they may not constitute an exhaustive list of the various authorizations that must be obtained or legal requirements that must be fulfilled in order to carry out the proposed action.

If you have any questions or would like to respond to these comments, please contact the appropriate reviewing staff listed above.

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