

## State of Washington DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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## **DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

Name of Proposal: DNS 25-017: SOL DUC HATCHERY MODIFICATIONS

## **Description of Proposal:**

WDFW proposes to construct new rearing facilities for zero-age chinook and all associated infrastructure. WDFW is planning to construct three (3) new thirty (30) foot round fiberglass rearing ponds and three (3) new concrete raceways, and a new larger pollution abatement pond, all within the existing hatchery footprint. The new ponds and raceways are being designed to utilize up to 70 percent reuse water utilizing partial Recirculating Aquaculture System (pRAS) technology. The rearing facilities will be housed in a chain link enclosure with a hard roof. The pRAS equipment will be housed in a fully enclosed structure to protect the mechanical and electrical equipment. The new pollution abatement pond will be covered by the WDFW standard fabric roof. Other work associated with this project includes tapping the distribution tower, supply lines, drain lines, lower distribution box modification, dedicated fish release pipe, provision to treat waste from the existing adult holding ponds with the new PA pond, and other minor miscellaneous details.

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

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**Location of Proposal:** The project is located at the WDFW Sol Duc Hatchery, 1423 Pavel Road, Beaver, Clallam County, Washington: Township 30N, Range 13W, Section 36.

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

WDFW has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment and that an environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c).

WDFW issued this Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) under WAC 197-11-340. Agencies, tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this determination. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this document. The comment period will end at 5:00 pm on June 5, 2025.

## **Method of Comment:**

SEPA documents related to this proposal can be reviewed at the WDFW SEPA website at: <u>SEPA documents available for public comment | Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife.</u>

The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA determinations. 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: Sol Duc Modifications
- Email to: SolDucModifications@PublicInput.com

After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this determination on the WDFW SEPA website: <u>Final SEPA documents | Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife</u>. After the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal.

Responsible Official: Lisa Wood

**Position/Title:** SEPA Responsible Official and SEPA/NEPA Coordinator

WDFW Director's Office

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If you have questions about this determination or the details of the proposal, or need assistance with the Public Input comment portal, contact Lisa Wood at: <a href="mailto:SEPADesk2@dfw.wa.gov">SEPADesk2@dfw.wa.gov</a>.

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