

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE FINAL DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE January 26, 2007

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DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Name of Proposal: FRENCH CREEK ESTATES WETLAND RESTORATION

Description of Proposal: The main objective of this project is to restore floodplain habitat on this property to the extent possible, given the current conditions. This project will greatly enhance 27 acres of floodplain connectivity through removing drain tiles, restoring degraded instream channel profiles, installation of a fish friendly water control structures, a low level berm, spillways, and planting of native shrubs/trees. These elements will facilitate in the restoration of the natural hydrological regime, recruitment of large woody debris, improved water quality, increased nutrient cycling and biotic diversity, Several portions of French Creek upstream and downstream of the project area are currently on the Department of Ecology's 303(d) list and this project will help restore lower temperatures, increase dissolved oxygen levels and filter unwanted nutrients.

Proponent:

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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Monroe, Washington, Snohomish County; NE1/4 of Section 20 & 29, Township 28 North, Range 06 EastWM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of the completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date of issue below. Comments must be submitted by: **January 25, 2007**

Responsible Official: Teresa A. Eturaspe

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