



State of Washington

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**ADDENDUM TO DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE,  
DATED: JUNE 27, 2008  
CHANGE OF COMMENT DATE**

**Name of DNS:** MINERAL PROSPECTING RULES

**Description of DNS:** WDFW is adopting rules that apply to mineral prospecting activities that use, divert, obstruct, or change the natural flow or bed of any of the salt or fresh waters of the state. The existing rules contained in WAC 220-110-200 through 220-110-209 were adopted in 1998 and implemented in 1999. In 2006 the Washington Fish and Wildlife Commission directed WDFW to revise these rules. The proposed rules reflect the latest available information on the impacts of mineral prospecting activities and methods to mitigate those impacts. Following rule adoption, a new G&F pamphlet describing the rules and containing other information related to mineral prospecting will be published. The G&F pamphlet will serve as the HPA for those activities described in it. The proposed rules and the G&F pamphlet will apply to all waters of Washington.

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**Location of DNS, including street, if any:** The proposed rules and the G&F pamphlet will apply to all waters of Washington State. The rules bar mineral prospecting in lakes, saltwater and waters within state park, national park, or wilderness boundaries, except if an individual site specific HPA is granted by WDFW.

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

**WDFW is providing updated information on this project that may be of interest to other agencies or the public. The updated information provided below does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts in the existing environmental checklist.**

The original environmental checklist dated June 27, 2008 , should be modified to reflect the following change: **COMMENT DATE: ~~July 18, 2008~~ July 31, 2008**

**Based on the original environmental checklist and the updated information provided in this addendum, we have determined that a new threshold determination is not warranted. There is no comment period associated with this SEPA environmental checklist addendum.**

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