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Terri,

Thank you for the comments the Department of Ecology provided on the Wilkie Creek Foot Bridge project located on the Sherman Creek Wildlife Area (Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife).

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) does not propose to excavate a new stream channel as indicated in the Department of Ecology comment letter regarding the Wilkie Creek Footbridge, File # 12-077. Rather, WDFW proposes a small scale project to build a foot bridge, allowing recreational foot traffic to cross Wilkie Creek safely. The bridge will be 18 feet long and four feet wide with handrails on each side. Construction will occur in the fall when the Wilkie Creek stream bed is dry. There will be no entry into the stream bed and soil disturbance will be minimized during construction. A footing will be dug into the top of the stream bank on the south side and fill will be added on the north side, sloping up to the bridge. Less than 200 square feet of soil will be disturbed, all of which occurs on a slope that drains away from any potential surface water. Disturbed soil will be seeded with native vegetation typical to the site. Although no storm water run-off or erosion is expected, routine inspections and maintenance of erosion and sediment control best management practices will occur both during and after construction.

Again, thank you for your consideration of this proposal.

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