

State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 16-003: LEAD KING LAKES CUTTHROAT STOCKING

Description of Proposal:

Approximately 1000 11-inch cutthroat trout and 3000 4-inch cutthroat trout will be stocked into Upper and Lower Lead King lakes in spring 2016, followed by approximately 7000 2-inch cutthroat trout in fall 2016. Annual plantings of approximately 7000 2-inch cutthroat in the fall are anticipated for 2017 through the foreseeable future.

Proponent/Applicant:	Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any:

The Lead King lakes are located north of Metaline, WA in Pend Oreille County, at: Sections 22 and 27, T40N, R43E. See attached site vicinity map.

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

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law¹ does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules². We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. The comment period will end at **5:00 pm on February 22, 2016**.

Method of Comment: The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA proposals. Comments received through these procedures are part of the official SEPA record for this proposal.

You can submit your comments any one of the following ways:

- Email to <u>SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov</u>
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/sepa_comment_docs.html
- Fax to (360) 902-2946;
- Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: Dan Doty

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section **Address:** 600 Capitol Way North, Olympia, WA 98501-1091

After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <u>http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/</u>. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law.¹

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Dan Doty at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call him at (360) 902-8120.

DATE OF ISSUE: February 8, 2016

SIGNATURE:

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Footnotes

- 1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)
- 2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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