



State of Washington

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 16-020: FLAMING GEYSER STATE PARK BEAVER CREEK BARRIER CULVERT REPLACEMENT AND RESTORATION

Description of Proposal:

This project will abandon a current culvert location on Beaver Creek and reroute the stream back to its original alignment, installing a new bridge where the stream will connect to the Green River. A new 30' span bridge will be installed downstream of the current crossing. The realignment of the stream will add 810 lineal feet of habitat and will make over 6 acres of rearing habitat accessible to coho, steelhead, sea run cutthroat and resident trout.

An archaeological survey was performed in September 2015 to identify and evaluate cultural resources within the project APE. A report has been prepared for this project and sent to the Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation. There were no cultural resources noted during this investigation.

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Location of Proposal, including street, if any:

This project is located in Flaming Geyser State Park 237000 SE Flaming Geyser Rd Auburn, WA 98092 From Highway 18 take exit to SE Auburn-Black Diamond Rd exit. Take SE Green Valley Road to 228th Pl SE/SE Flaming Geyser Road. Turn right into the Park. 23700 Southeast Flaming Geyser. In King County. WRIA 9. Abbreviated Legal Description: T21N R06E S27 Tax parcel number 272106-9005

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 May 10, 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 SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov
- 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: Steve Bell on behalf of Lisa Wood

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

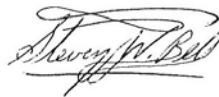
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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/>. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. 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 Steve Bell at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call him at (360) 902-2598.

DATE OF ISSUE: April 26, 2016

SIGNATURE:



Footnotes

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

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