



State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 16-066: ROCKY FORD CREEK FOOT BRIDGE REPLACEMENTS

Description of Proposal:

WDFW IS PROPOSING TO REPLACE TWO PEDESTRIAN BRIDGES ACROSS ROCKY FORD CREEK AT TWO LOCATIONS ON DEPARTMENT LAND TO PROVIDE/MAINTAIN PUBLIC FISHING. BRIDGES ARE APPROXIMATELY ¾ MILES APART. THE TWO BRIDGES WILL BE PLACED BETWEEN TWO PRIVATELY OPERATED HATCHERY FACILITIES OPERATED BY TROUT LODGE, LLC. NEW BRIDGES WILL BE IN THE SAME LOCATIONS AS EXISTING, BUT WITH LONGER SPANS TO ALLOW FOR HIGHER CREEK FLOWS. FILL MATERIAL WILL BE USED AT THE NORTH SITE TO FILL POTHOLES IN PEDESTRIAN TRAVEL ROUTE. QUARRY SPALLS WILL BE PLACED AT SOUTH SITE TO ARMOUR ERODING BANK. FILL MATERIAL SOURCE IS ALONG TOE OF BANK EAST OF THE NORTHERN HATCHERY GROUNDS. EXCAVATION ON EITHER END OF EACH BRIDGE FOR NEW PRECAST ABUTMENTS/FOOTINGS. ACCESS TO EAST BANK IS FROM TROUT LODGE HATCHERY, LLC.

	NORTH SITE	SOUTH SITE
CURRENT LENGTH	56'	42'
PROPOSED LENGTH	65'	60'
PROPOSED WIDTH	5'	5'

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: 16001 NE Rd B.5, Ephrata, Grant County, Washington: Township 21N, Range 27E, Section 16.

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 rules.² 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 November 15, 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/>
- Fax to (360) 902-2946;
- Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: 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 Lisa Wood at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2260.

DATE OF ISSUE: November 1, 2016

SIGNATURE:



Footnotes

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

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