

State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 16-067: RIVERSIDE BOAT RAMP REPAIR

Description of Proposal:

This project includes the repair and expansion of an existing WDFW boat launch ramp and access site on the Okanogan River. This is a popular WDFW access site containing one 12 foot wide gravel surface ramp and informal parking. WDFW proposes to renovate this site with a new concrete plank boat ramp, new self-contained vault toilet, improved parking, and day use accommodations. The specific components of this project are:

- 1. Install filter fabric fence around the worksite. Install other BMP's as necessary including straw wattles around the ramp. Install turbidity curtain around in water work area.
- 2. Grade footprint of existing ramp to achieve correct slope for ramp.
- 3. Install a 4 inch layer of crushed rock in the new ramp footprint to serve as a pad for the new ramp planks and articulated concrete blocks.
- 4. Install one new concrete ramp by connecting 4 foot by 12 foot precast concrete plank sections and pushing them down the ramp into place. The new ramp will measure 12 feet wide and 72 feet long.
- 5. Install articulated cabled concrete blocking (mat) at the bottom and outside edges of the new ramp to protect against erosion and undermining. The articulated concrete mats to be installed on the outside edges will be 72 feet long and 4 feet wide on both sides of the ramp. A section of articulated concrete mat will be installed on the bottom edge of the new ramp measuring 8 feet wide and 20 feet long.
- 6. *Remove existing earthen berm/debris pile and grade this area for a parking and boat turn around area.*
- 7. Excavate infiltration pond for storm water treatment.
- 8. Grade day use area and install covered picnic area with two picnic tables and additional picnic table.
- 9. Install kiosk, vault toilet, and pedestrian path.
- 10. Perform mitigation measures. This will involve planting a 5000 sq. ft. mitigation area next to the Okanogan River at river mile 49.5. This mitigation area is located 9 miles above the boat launch on WDFW State Wildlife Area land. Willow stakes will be installed and ponderosa pines planted to establish a vegetated riparian buffer in this location. Willow plantings will be consistent with local willow species found in this area. Other species of native plants may be used as directed by the local Wildlife Area Manager.

Proponent/Applicant:	Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Okanogan River at 200 Cooper Street, Riverside, Okanogan County, Washington: Township 35N, Range 26E, Section 25.

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 23, 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: <u>http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/</u>
- 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: <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 Lisa Wood at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2260.

DATE OF ISSUE: November 9, 2016

SIGNATURE: Mon Wood

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)

2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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