

State of Washington

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 17-012: CLARKS CREEK HATCHERY REHABILITATION

Description of Proposal:

The Clarks Creek Hatchery Rehabilitation Project was proposed in an effort to redevelop the hatchery (which currently produces mostly trout) into a salmon hatchery and address degrading facility conditions. Facilities, like the existing main hatchery building, will be refurbished to comply with historical preservation requirements. In addition, the hatchery will replace existing ponds and pollution abatement facilities. The specific elements of the project include the following:

- 1. Demolish existing 16 round ponds, 4 raceways, and pollution abatement pond.
- 2. Decommission all existing piping
- 3. Regrade site
- 4. Install new site piping (supply and drain lines)
- 5. Install creek supply and reuse systems (gravity preferred for both)
- 6. Construct 4 new raceways
- 7. Construct 4 new round ponds
- 8. Install a new 2 bay adult holding pond
- 9. Construct a pollution abatement pond
- 10. Construct stormwater facilities (collection, conveyance, and treatment)
- 11. Construct storage facilities (fish food, shop, vehicles, misc.)
- 12. Renovate existing incubation facilities
- 13. Construct aeration/degassing tower
- 14. Renovate guest interpretive center
- 15. Renovate office space
- 16. Renovate conference room
- 17. Residence/Garages

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: 1416 14th Street SW, Puyallup, Pierce County, Washington: Township 20N, Range 4E, Section 32.

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 April 4, 2017.**

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: March 21, 2016 SIGNATURE: How

Footnotes

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

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

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