



State of Washington

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### DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

**Name of Proposal:** DNS 17-030: HURD CREEK HATCHERY FLOOD PROTECTION

#### Description of Proposal:

The purpose of the proposed project is to protect Hurd Creek Hatchery infrastructure from flooding and erosion from the Dungeness River. This project will involve four major elements:

1. Hatchery Scour Protection: Riprap will be placed in a trench adjacent to the hatchery fence line for scour protection when the river moves into the Hurd Creek alignment. The riprap trench will serve to minimize scour and undermining of hatchery infrastructure that could occur as a result of flooding.
2. Hatchery Flood Protection: Ecology blocks will be placed adjacent to the fence line in a partial ring and will act as a levee/dike to divert water from infrastructure to protect hatchery infrastructure from flooding.
3. Floodplain Roughness Habitat Enhancement: Wood placement will occur between the Dungeness River and Hurd Creek to provide floodplain roughness, slow lateral migration of the Dungeness River, and provide habitat enhancement.
4. Riprap Removal, Bank Revegetation, and Scour Deterrent: The riprap bank protection placed as a temporary emergency measure will be removed. Cottonwood logs will be buried lying horizontally and 100 willow/dogwood stakes will be planted adjacent to the Dungeness River to establish vegetation and provide scour protection.

**Proponent/Applicant:** Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)  
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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** WDFW Hurd Creek Hatchery, 955 Fasola Road, Sequim, Clallam County, Washington: Township 30N, Range 4W, Sections 1 and 2.

**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 law<sup>1</sup> 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.<sup>2</sup> 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 June 1, 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](mailto: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.<sup>1</sup>

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:** May 18, 2017

**SIGNATURE:**



Footnotes

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

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