



State of Washington

## DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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### DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

**Name of Proposal:** DNS 17-031: HOODSPORT HATCHERY RACEWAY REPLACEMENT

**Description of Proposal:**

WDFW is replacing the existing raceway rearing ponds at the Hoodsport Hatchery. The Hatchery property is on a small parcel with limited space adjacent to Hood Canal and Finch Creek. The scope of work is to completely demolish the existing ten (10) raceway rearing ponds (20ft x 78ft x 3ft deep) and replace them with eighteen (18) new WDFW standard raceway ponds (approximately 10ft x 78ft x 5ft deep). The project also includes demolishing and replacing some supply and drain lines. New pond drains will connect to the existing main drain outfall and new piping will connect to the existing creek gravity supply, saltwater pump supply, and re-use pump supply. The new raceways will fit within the footprint of the old raceways, and will add volume by increasing wall heights. One raceway will be modified to accommodate use as a settling pond for the incubation supply, the most sensitive rearing. An aeration tower will be constructed to increase dissolved oxygen levels in both the salt water and re-use supplies. The saltwater pumping chamber will be modified so re-use supplies can also be pumped from this chamber.

**Proponent/Applicant:** Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)  
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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** WDFW Hoodsport Hatchery, 24350 N Highway 101, Hoodsport, Mason County, Washington: Township 22N, Range 4W, Section 11.

**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 7, 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 24, 2017

**SIGNATURE:**



Footnotes

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

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