



State of Washington
DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 17-050: WALLACE ACCESS SITE CONSTRUCTION

Description of Proposal:

The proposed project will develop a new parking lot to allow public access to the Cowlitz River for recreational fishing. The parking area will cover 16,500 sq ft and grading will require 130 cy of cut. No facilities are proposed, this would be a primitive parking area with limited improvements, including grading and adding crushed gravel. Gravel will be added to the parking lot to a depth of 4 inches (202 cy). Barrier rocks (80 cy) will be placed around the parking lot to discourage vehicles from driving onto private property.

There is an existing developed gravel PUD easement road that will be utilized for access to the new parking lot (WDFW also has been granted rights to this easement). A road (4,930 sq ft) allowing access to the parking lot from the easement road will be graded and gravel will be added to a depth of 4 inches (61 cy).

To ensure that the public remain on easement property, a path (2,361 sq ft) from the parking lot to the edge of the existing easement road will be graded and gravel will be added to a depth of 2 inches (14 cy). This path will then continue on the other side of the existing easement road by way of a hand cleared trail, no gravel will be added. The walking trail will be approximately 10 ft wide and 75 ft long, cleared by hand, from the easement road to the river. Signs will be posted indicating Private Property boundaries as well as designated fishing access location. An emergency vehicle "hammerhead" will be designated by signs as well.

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Approximately two miles east of Vader, 654 Mandy Road, Toledo, Lewis County, Washington: Township 11N, Range 2W, Section 28.

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 September 25, 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: September 11, 2017

SIGNATURE:



Footnotes

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

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