

## State of Washington DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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## **DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

Name of Proposal: DNS 18-002: WARD LAKE ACCESS SITE IMPROVEMENTS

## **Description of Proposal:**

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife is proposing to make improvements to an existing access site on Ward Lake in Thurston County. The existing site includes a 12 ft wide concrete boat ramp, partially graveled/paved parking area and two aging vault toilet buildings. This project proposes to remove both of the existing vault toilet buildings and replace them with a CXT concrete vault toilet building that meets ADA requirements and parking. Removing the existing vault toilet buildings will require ground disturbing activities including pumping out, crushing and burying the vaults. A new hole will be excavated for the new CXT vault toilet building, which will be 16 ft long, 8 ft wide and 4 ft deep. The new toilet building will be located in the same location as the existing toilet buildings. An asphalt parking space will be constructed adjacent to the new CXT toilet building.

The slope of the ADA parking space will be changed slightly (6-12") to accommodate ADA required slopes. An area of 2,105 sq ft will be asphalt paved from the existing pavement of the driveway and end at the new toilet building. Additional gravel, approximately 1,634 sq ft and a depth of 3 inches, will be added to the parking area starting at the edge of the asphalt. A retaining rock will be placed behind the vault toilet building where the toilet building will encroach into the side slope. Several hazard trees (fir, alder) may be removed. No work is proposed for the existing boat launch. No work will be done in water or below OHWM.

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

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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** 4135 Ward Lake Ct SE, Olympia, Thurston County, Washington: Township 18N, Range 2W, Section 36.

**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 February 1, 2018.

**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: 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: <a href="http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/">http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/</a>. 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: January 18, 2018 SIGNATURE: SIGNATURE:

## Footnotes

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

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

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