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Lisa Wood
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Re: DNS 18-006

Dear Ms. Wood:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the determination of nonsignificance for the Oak Creek Wildlife Area Fence Replacement project. We have reviewed the documents and have the following comments.

WATER QUALITY

Project with Potential to Discharge Off-Site

The NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit from the Washington State Department of Ecology is required if there is a potential for stormwater discharge from a construction site with disturbed ground. This permit requires that the SEPA checklist fully disclose anticipated activities including building, road construction and utility placements. Obtaining a permit is a minimum of a 38 day process and may take up to 60 days if the original SEPA does not disclose all proposed activities.

The permit requires that Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (Erosion Sediment Control Plan) is prepared and implemented for all permitted construction sites. These control measures must be able to prevent soil from being carried into surface water (this includes storm drains) by stormwater runoff. Permit coverage and erosion control measures must be in place prior to any clearing, grading or construction.

More information on the stormwater program may be found on Ecology's stormwater website at: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/>. Please submit an application or contact **Lloyd Stevens, Jr.** at the Dept. of Ecology, (509) 574-3991, with questions about this permit.

Sincerely,

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