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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 18-016: SNOQUALMIE WILDLIFE AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN

Description of Proposal:

This is a new management plan for the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area. Over the next 10 year, the plan will direct management activities on the following areas:

1. Corson Natural Wildlife Unit (160 acres)
2. Spencer Island (175 acres)
3. Ebey Island (1,237 acres)
4. Crescent Lake (360 acres)
5. Cherry Valley (386 acres)
6. Stillwater (456 acres)

Proposed uses include restoration, wildlife conservation, and recreation. There are 4 agricultural leases that provide food and cover for wildlife as well as revenue. Examples of management activities under the new plan include monitoring for ecological integrity, managing weeds, planning for future restoration, conducting species surveys, upgrading signage, improving public access, public safety, ADA access, and parking, monitor and manage dog presence, and replacing a barn and pheasant net pens.

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Six units on the WDFW Snoqualmie Wildlife Area in Washington:

1. Corson Natural Wildlife Unit (Snohomish County)
 - North of City of Lake Stevens and south of Cassidy Lake
 - T30N, R5E, 6E, Sections 31 and 36
2. Spencer Island (Snohomish County)
 - In the Snohomish River estuary east of the City of Everett
 - T29N, R5E, Section 16
3. Ebey Island (Snohomish County)
 - South of the Highway 2 trestle between the Snohomish River and Ebey Slough
 - T29N, R5E, Sections 26, 27, 34, 35
4. Crescent Lake (Snohomish County)

- Three miles south of the City of Monroe
 - T27N, R6E, 7E, Section 23
5. Cherry Valley (King County)
- One mile north of the City of Duvall
 - T26N, R6E, 7E, Sections 7, 12
6. Stillwater (King County)
- Three miles north of the town of Carnation
 - T25N, R7E, Sections 4, 5

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 30 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 30 days of the date of this letter. The comment period will end at **5:00 pm on April 26, 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 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

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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: March 27, 2018

SIGNATURE:



Footnotes

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