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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS) AND ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT (ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT)

Name of Proposal: DNS/Adoption 18-020: GOLD BASIN HABITAT RESTORATION

Description of Proposal:

The U.S.D.A. Forest Service proposes to issue the Stillaguamish Tribe a Special Use Permit to construct a live crib wall along the South Fork Stillaguamish River and sediment detention basins landward of the crib wall. Additional connected actions would include regrading disturbed materials, construction of diversion fencing upslope of the crib wall, installation of large woody structures, and site revegetation. The project would reduce delivery of fine sediment from the Gold Basin Landslide complex to the South Fork Stillaguamish River, improving salmonid habitat downstream of the project site.

More information is available in the attached Environmental Assessment.

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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Approximately 10.5 miles east of Granite Falls, along the Mountain Loop Highway, Snohomish County, Washington: Township 30N, Range 8E, Sections 13 and 24.

Title of document being adopted: Final Environmental Assessment Gold Basin Habitat Restoration Project

Agency that prepared document being adopted: U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service

Date adopted document was prepared: March 2018

Description of document (or portion) being adopted: The entire contents of the Environmental Assessment.

If the document being adopted has been challenged, please describe: N/A

Name of agency adopting the document: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

The document is available to be read at:

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife - Natural Resources Building,
1111 Washington Street SE, Olympia, WA, Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

This document is also available for review online at:

http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/sepa_comment_docs.html and
<https://www.fs.usda.gov/project/?project=47205>

Adoption of Existing Environmental Document: After independent review, we have identified and adopted the referenced document as being appropriate for this proposal. The document meets our environmental review needs for the current proposal and will accompany the proposal to the decision maker.

We issued this Determination of Nonsignificance/Adoption Notice under WAC 197-11-340(2), WAC 197-11-610, and WAC 197-11-630. We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date of issue below. 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 April 13, 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

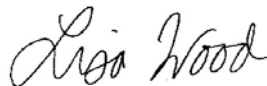
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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/>. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. 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 30, 2018 **SIGNATURE:**



Footnotes

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