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**ADDENDUM 18-027 TO DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS) 17-044
DATED: AUGUST 21, 2017**

Name of Proposal: DNS 17-044: WYNOOCHEE RIVER FISHING ACCESS

Description of Original Proposal:

The project will include 1,300 feet of new road construction, 200 feet of road reconstruction and 1,200 feet of brush clearing and relocating on the gravel bar. The purpose of the road is to restore public fishing access to the Wynoochee River, and the road will also be used for future timber harvest and haul by Green Diamond. A parking area, approximately 50 ft by 145 ft, will be located adjacent to the road, outside the Wynoochee River channel migration zone and the shoreline buffer. Two small roadside pullouts are also proposed, which would be located outside the channel migration zone and shoreline buffer as well. Signs will be posted to direct users and a porta potty will be located at the parking area. The proposal also includes installation of a 36-inch diameter culvert in the backwatered side channel that is currently bisected by the existing road grade with no culvert. This will allow fish to access this side channel habitat. During the fall and winter we anticipate 100 boat launches a week if fishing is good and river flow is below 2,600 cfs. When the river gets above 2,600 cfs the river becomes unfishable.

Description of Addendum 18-027:

The project will include 1,282 feet of new road construction including 450 feet of full bench/end-haul construction, 200 feet of road reconstruction, including culvert installation, up to 1,950 feet of brush clearing on the gravel bar, and minor grading where needed from the culvert to the gravel bar within the channel migration zone. The purpose of the road is to allow public fishing access to the Wynoochee River and the road will also be used for future timber harvest and forest management activities and forest products haul by Green Diamond. A 10'x10' gravel pad will be constructed outside the channel migration zone for placement of a sani-can. An existing open area will be used for parking on the gravel bar within the channel migration zone. Signs will be placed within the channel migration zone to deter use of other areas for parking and driving. Four culverts are proposed including 2 cross drains, one in an untyped draw, and one to enhance a backwater area by connecting it to additional groundwater channels, improving habitat by relieving a potential high water fish stranding situation.

Action	Previous	Amended
New road	1,300 feet	1,282 feet
Brush clearing on gravel bar	1,200 feet	Up to 1,950 feet
Parking area/Cleared area (new term)	50'x145'	50'x60'
Culvert	36" (no length given in checklist)	72"x46'
Parking area	Outside Channel Migration Zone and Shoreline Buffer, potential fill added.	Within CMZ, just grading and no fill

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal: The eastern shore of the Wynoochee River approximately 16 miles north of the town of Montesano, Grays Harbor County, Washington. The site does not have an address but is located at Township 20N, Range 8W, Sections 23 and 24.

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

This addendum is being distributed pursuant to WACs 197-11-600 and 197-11-625. The updated information provided above does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts in the existing environmental checklist. Based on the original DNS and the updated information provided in this addendum, we have determined that a new threshold determination is not warranted. There is no comment period associated with this SEPA addendum.

Responsible Official: Lisa Wood

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