

State of Washington DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 18-044: XU GRASS CARP

Description of Proposal: Plant triploid (sterile) grass carp into private pond, with no public access, to control aquatic vegetation. Future restocking may be necessary due to fish loss.

Proponent/Applicant: Junheng Xu 1475 E. Bakerview Rd. Bellingham, WA 98226 (360) 588-2558 or (360) 588-2358

Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Weichi Pond, 1475 E. Bakerview Rd., Bellingham, Whatcom County, Washington: Township 38N, Range 3E, Section 17.

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 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 July 5, 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: <u>http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/</u>
- Fax to (360) 902-2946;
- Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: Lisa Wood

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Habitat Program, Protection Division

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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 When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law.¹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:

June 21, 2018

SIGNATURE: Hood

Footnotes

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

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

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