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**DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

**Name of Proposal:** DNS 18-066: DEWALD WATERWAY CLEANOUT

**Description of Proposal:**

The Dewald waterway cleanout project runs for about 6,590 feet or 1.25 miles along an intermittent stream just north of Davenport that runs downstream from north to south and crosses underneath Hwy 25. The northern  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the waterway is almost completely overgrown with reed canary grass, which overhangs into the creek channel and slows down or clogs up the flow of water down the waterway when present. The lower  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the channel does not have canary grass. There is also little of other more desired grasses to stabilize the channel within the waterway area. The channel has several eroded side channel areas and a head cutting drop of up to 3 feet high at the downstream end of the project area that needs to be stabilized.

This dredging project is necessary to reshape the channel to improve drainage and protect the adjacent farmland from erosion/flooding impacts. The work will be achieved utilizing an excavator and dump truck. Dredged spoils will be re-located to the adjacent Ag fields, spread out, and re-worked into the lay of the land.

Three large trees growing in the drainage course will be removed. This vegetation removal will be off-set by planting 12-18 Aspens and 8-12 Serviceberry tree-shrubs.

**Proponent/Applicant:**

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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** approximately 6,590 feet along an unnamed intermittent stream approximately 1.7 to 3 miles north of Davenport, Lincoln County, Washington: Township 25N, Range 37E, Sections 3, 4, and 9.

**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 law<sup>1</sup> 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.<sup>2</sup> 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 December 10, 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](mailto: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.<sup>1</sup>

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:** November 26, 2018

**SIGNATURE:**



Footnotes

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

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