



State of Washington  
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**DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

**Name of Proposal:** DNS 19-021: DUNGENESS HATCHERY INTAKE REPLACEMENT

**Description of Proposal:**

The Dungeness Hatchery currently has two separate intakes withdrawing water from the Dungeness River. One intake is shared with the Agnew Irrigation District while the second intake is operated solely by WDFW. Neither of these intakes are compliant with new NOAA fish screening standards. WDFW proposes to construct a new intake that will distribute water between the Agnew Irrigation District and WDFW in accordance to existing water rights. This new intake will be compliant with NMFS fish screening criteria and require less maintenance. Both of the existing intakes will be discontinued use and be removed or modified to route all water to the new intake. The specific components of this project are;

1. Isolate work area from the Dungeness River by installing a super sack coffer dam. This area will be swept with a seine net to herd fish out of the work area prior to coffer dam placement. Dewater construction area and perform necessary fish removal measures as necessary during dewatering.
2. Demolish existing intake serving WDFW only. This will involve removing concrete walls, floor and piping within a 10 foot by 20 foot area. The concrete lined water channel feeding the intake will be left in place and filled with excess material. Water will be shut-off from this area by permanently closing a water gate.
3. Demolish 10 by 14 foot mechanical building located within the footprint of new intake. Remove inner equipment, building and concrete slab. Ground disturbance to a depth a 2 feet will occur.
4. Construct a new intake. Install concrete forms and pour in place. Remove forms and allow concrete to cure for a minimum of seven days before exposure to water. Construct intake building and install inner components.
5. Install a new 60 inch water conveyance pipe connecting the head gate structure to the new intake. This pipe will be 90 feet long and installed to a depth of two feet. All ground disturbance for this installation will occur within previously place fill for the road bed.
6. Connect the new intake to the existing 60 inch Agnew/WDFW supply pipe and existing WDFW 24 inch supply pipe. These connections will be made using one outlet pipe from the new intake. Excavation to a depth of 2 feet will be made within the road bed for this pipe placement and connections.
7. Replant disturbed areas with native vegetation.

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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** WDFW Dungeness Fish Hatchery, 121 Fish Hatchery Road; Sequim, Clallam County, Washington: Township 29N, Range 4W, Section 12.

**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 March 29, 2019.**

**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:** March 15, 2019

**SIGNATURE:**



Footnotes

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