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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: DNS 22-012: STILLMAN CREEK RESTORATION

Description of Proposal:

This project is designed to restore in-channel, floodplain and riparian processes. The Stillman Creek project is one of five reach-scale river restoration projects implemented through the Aquatic Species Restoration Plan under the Chehalis Basin Strategy. This restoration project involves acquiring land for conservation and habitat protection, placement of large wood and construction of off-channel habitat features, and planting native riparian and upland vegetation along with invasive species treatment.

Work will be conducted in the 100-year floodplain with the exception of riparian restoration and a cabin relocation. Approximately 2 miles of in-stream channel will be treated including placement of large wood, side channel excavation, floodplain reconnection, and riparian and upland plantings totaling:

- Riparian restoration/enhancement – 10 acres and over 6,000 trees planted
- Side channel/off channel creation/enhancement – 3.8 acres
- In-stream structures added – 113 structures

Proponent/Applicant: Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)
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Location of Proposal, including street, if any: Stillman Creek from River Mile 0.0 (Lost Valley Road bridge) to 2.6 (Pe Ell McDonald Road bridge), immediately west of the town of Boistfort, Lewis County, Washington: Township 12N, Range 4W, Sections 4, 11, 12, and 14.

The following document is incorporated by reference: This document provides additional information on the proposal.

Inter-Fluve. 2022. Stillman Creek EAR – Final Design Report. Submitted to Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. January 2022.

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 March 17, 2022**.

Method of Comment:

SEPA documents related to this proposal can be reviewed at the WDFW SEPA website at: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/open-comments>.

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 through one of the following ways:

- Online at the Public Input comment portal for this proposal: <https://publicinput.com/StillmanCkRestoration>
- Email to: StillmanCkRestoration@PublicInput.com

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: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/closed-final>. 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, or have difficulty with the Public Input comment portal, contact Lisa Wood at: SEPADesk2@dfw.wa.gov.

DATE OF ISSUE: March 3, 2022

SIGNATURE:



Footnotes

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

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