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Re: 202205183, 22-045

Dear Lisa Wood:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Determination of Non Significance for the Twisp River Wood Amendment: Poorman and Little Bridge Creeks. We have reviewed the documents and have the following comments.

WATER QUALITY

Project with Potential to Discharge Off-Site

The NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit from the Washington State Department of Ecology is required if there is a potential for stormwater discharge from a construction site with disturbed ground. This permit requires that the SEPA checklist fully disclose anticipated activities including building, road construction and utility placements. Obtaining a permit may take 38-60 days.

The permit requires that a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (Erosion Sediment Control Plan) shall be prepared and implemented for all permitted construction sites. These control measures must be able to prevent soil from being carried into surface water and storm drains by stormwater runoff. Permit coverage and erosion control measures must be in place prior to any clearing, grading, or construction.

If you decide that your project does not need to acquire an NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit, and the project has a discharge to waters of the state. There is a potential that this could result in a RCW 90.48 violation. This violation carries the potential of a penalty of up to \$10,000 per day, per violation.

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More information on the stormwater program may be found on Ecology's stormwater website at: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/>. Please submit an application or contact Wendy Neet at (509) 571-6733 or wendy.neet@ecy.wa.gov, with questions about this permit.

Sincerely,

Tricia Sawyer

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