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**ADDENDUM 23-024 TO FINAL SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT
STATEMENTS
DATED: AUGUST 1992 AND JANUARY 2002**

Name of FSEIS:

1. Lake and Stream Rehabilitations Final Supplemental Impact Statement (FSEIS), 1992-1993 and
2. Lake and Stream Rehabilitation: Rotenone Use and Health Risks FSEIS, 2002

Description of Proposal:

The original FSEISs were reviewed as a statewide proposal and they apply to statewide coverage. Implementation of the FSEISs includes the following waters for the **2023** season.

This proposal includes the rehabilitation of six (6) lakes (Williams Lake: Stevens County, and a chain of lakes including: June Lake, North-North Windmill, North Windmill, Windmill, and Canal Lake: Grant County), as well as four (4) seasonally watered ponds (West Medical Ponds: Spokane County) in Eastern Washington managed exclusively as trout emphasis. The rehabilitation treatments will employ the use of rotenone to improve fishing for trout via the elimination of undesirable and/or illegally stocked fish which compete with or prey upon stocked trout fry/fingerlings. It will also restore the economic strategy of stocking fingerling trout instead of the much more expensive and larger “catchables” which are used to temporarily “prop up” under-performing trout fisheries when stocking fry/fingerlings becomes ineffective. Post-treatment, Williams Lake, June Lake, North-North Windmill, North Windmill, Windmill, and Canal Lake will be stocked with catchable Rainbow Trout *Oncorhynchus mykiss* in March-April of 2024 to support fisheries in the spring of 2024. They will also be stocked with Rainbow Trout fry/fingerlings in spring 2024 to create a more economically and biologically sustainable trout-only fishery. All subsequent stockings will consist of fry or fingerling-size trout.

The competing/predatory species targeted for removal in these lakes are Pumpkinseed Sunfish *Lepomis gibbosus*, Bluegill Sunfish *Lepomis macrochirus* (June Lake, North-North Windmill Lake, North Windmill Lake), Largemouth Bass *Micropterus salmoides* (North Windmill Lake, Williams Lake) and Yellow Perch *Perca flavescens* (Williams Lake) as well as Goldfish *Carassius auratus* (West Medical Ponds). Windmill Lake and Canal Lake must be treated in conjunction as a chain of lakes to ensure complete removal of target species.

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Location of Current Proposals: Implementation of the FSEIS includes the following waters for the **2023** season:

Stevens County

Williams Lake – Located approximately 10.5 miles northeast of Kettle Falls, WA in Section 36, Township 38 North, Range 38 East, WM.

Grant County: The proposed waters in Grant County are a chain of lakes:

June Lake – Located approximately 5 miles southeast of O’Sullivan Dam and Potholes Reservoir in sections 21 and 22, Township 17 North, Range 29 East, WM.

North-North Windmill Lake – Located approximately 5 miles southeast of O’Sullivan Dam and Potholes Reservoir in section 22, Township 17 North, Range 29 East, WM.

North Windmill Lake – Located approximately 5 miles southeast of O’Sullivan Dam and Potholes Reservoir in section 27, Township 17 North, Range 29 East, WM.

Windmill Lake – Located approximately 5 miles southeast of O’Sullivan Dam and Potholes Reservoir in section 27, Township 17 north, Range 29 East, WM.

Canal Lake – Located approximately 5 miles southeast of O’Sullivan Dam and Potholes Reservoir in section 33, Township 17 North, Range 29 East, WM.

Spokane County

West Medical Ponds – Section 12 and 24, Township 24 North, Range 40E, WM. Pond 1 (47.58329N, -117.71100W), pond 2 (47.56172N, -117.70128W), pond 3 (47.56159N, -117.70031W), and pond 4 (47.56198N, -117.70003W).

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

The updated information provided above does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts in the existing FSEISs (dated August 1992 and January 2002). Based on the FSEISs and the updated information provided in this addendum, the lead agency has determined that a new threshold determination is not warranted.

The FSEISs and supporting documents for this Addendum are available to be read at: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife - Natural Resources Building, 1111 Washington Street SE, Olympia, WA, Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

The documents are also available for review online on the WDFW SEPA webpage: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/open-comments>.

We issued this Addendum under WACs 197-11-600 and 197-11-625. Agencies, tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or Addendum. We must receive your comments within 18 days of the date of this letter. The comment period will end at **5:00 pm on June 23, 2023**.

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 through one of the following ways:

- Online at the Public Input comment portal for this proposal:
<https://publicinput.com/LakeStreamRehab2023>
- Email to: LakeStreamRehab2023@PublicInput.com

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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>. After the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal.

If you have questions about this Addendum or the details of the proposal, contact Lisa Wood at SEPADesk2@dfw.wa.gov.

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