

## Purpose of checklist

Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization, or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

## Instructions for applicants

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. **You may use “not applicable” or “does not apply” only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown.** You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

The checklist questions apply to **all parts of your proposal**, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

## Instructions for lead agencies

Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

## Use of checklist for nonproject proposals

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B, plus the Supplemental Sheet for Nonproject Actions (Part D). Please completely answer all questions that apply and note that the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proponent," and "affected geographic area," respectively. The lead agency may exclude (for non-projects) questions in “Part B: Environmental Elements” that do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/Checklist-guidance>

## A. Background

[Find help answering background questions<sup>2</sup>](#)

**1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:**

Ebey Island Management Plan

**2. Name of applicant:**

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:**

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**4. Date checklist prepared:**

2/1/2024

**5. Agency requesting checklist:**

Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**6. Proposed timing of schedule (including phasing, if applicable):**

The 10-year management plan will be published on WDFW website in February 2024

**7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.**

Yes, specific projects or actions may be taken to implement elements of this plan. Where appropriate, project specific SEPA review will occur.

**8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.**

The Ebey Island Management Plan is directly related to the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area Management Plan because the Ebey Island Wildlife Area Unit is part of the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area. Some of the same information is referenced in the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area Management Plan, however the Ebey Island Management Plan goes into more specific site details and management actions related to Ebey Island. The Snoqualmie Wildlife Area Management Plan was updated in 2018 and went through its own SEPA determination at that time. The Ebey Island Management Plan will be listed as an addendum to the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area Management Plan.

**9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.**

None

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<sup>2</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-A-Background>

**10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.**

Permits may be necessary for specific projects or actions needed to implement elements of this plan. None are known at this time.

**11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)**

This is a new management plan for the Ebey Island Wildlife Area Unit, which is part of the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area. Over the next 10 years, the plan will direct management activities on the wildlife area unit totaling 1,285 acres. The primary management focus is on recreational activities, increasing public access, managing weeds on site, water management, and freshwater wetland development.

Restoration activities that may occur on the wildlife area unit includes wetland enhancement and riparian planting. Estuary restoration may occur on the unit, however it is outside the scope and time scale of this plan. See table 1 in the plan for a complete list of goals and objectives. Specific projects or actions may be taken to implement elements of this plan. Where appropriate, project specific SEPA review will occur.

This plan goes into more detail about the Ebey Island Wildlife Area Unit than is described in the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area Management Plan and will be used to make specific management decisions about Ebey Island for the next 10 years. Some of the information, goals, and management actions discussed are also included in the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area Management Plan. Though created separately the two plans are connected, and the Ebey Island Management Plan will be used as an addendum to the Snoqualmie Wildlife Area Management Plan.

**12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist.**

Ebey Island is located in Snohomish County, just east of the City of Everett. Ebey Slough and the mainstem Snohomish River surround the unit, making it an island. Township: 29N Range 5E Section: 26, 27, 28, 29, 34, and 35.

## **B. Environmental Elements**

### **1. Earth**

[Find help answering earth questions<sup>3</sup>](https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-earth)

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<sup>3</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-earth>

**a. General description of the site:**

Ebey Island is generally flat and low-laying within the estuary, making most of the land fairly wet with many areas having standing water throughout most of the year. Much of the site is subsided due to diking and agricultural practices, although there is a large raised fen on the eastern side of the property rising 2 to 2.5 meters above surrounding surfaces.

Circle or highlight one: **Flat** rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other:

**b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?**

N/A

**c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them, and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils.**

According to NRCS soil survey data, Ebey Island is largely made up of Mukilteo muck, Puget silty clay loam, and Snohomish silt loam. A group of researchers from Colorado State University took soil samples on the raised fen on the eastern portion of the property and found clayey sand and peat along with a highly decomposed muck. A large portion of Ebey Island is actively farmed, but the proposal does not currently result in removing any soils.

**d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.**

There is a history of sand boils on site, resulting from the land being diked in an otherwise estuarine environment.

**e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.**

Future projects may include excavation, e.g., estuary restoration projects. Individual projects will go through individual SEPA review and permitting in advance as appropriate.

**f. Could erosion occur because of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.**

N/A

**g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?**

No impervious surfaces will be created on Ebey Island.

**h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any.**

N/A

## 2. Air

[Find help answering air questions](#)<sup>4</sup>

- a. **What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.**

N/A

- b. **Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.**

N/A

- c. **Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:**

N/A

## 3. Water

[Find help answering water questions](#)<sup>5</sup>

- a. **Surface:**

[Find help answering surface water questions](#)<sup>6</sup>

1. **Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.**

Ebey Island is located within the Snohomish River estuary and is bordered by the mainstem Snohomish River to the west and Ebey Slough to the east. Deadwater Slough runs through the middle of the island, which is connected to the mainstem Snohomish River. Deadwater Slough is forked with one stem migrating south west and the other running south east, and a tidegate and pump separate the slough from the river. Other agricultural drainage ditches exist on site but are not named or actively connected to the surrounding water bodies.

2. **Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans.**

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<sup>4</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-Air>

<sup>5</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water>

<sup>6</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmental-elements-Surface-water>

Future projects may work adjacent to waters described above, e.g., estuary restoration projects will go through the appropriate individual SEPA review and permitting in advance.

- 3. Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material.**

Future projects may impact fill and dredge material, e.g., estuary restoration, wetland enhancement projects and will go through the appropriate individual SEPA review and permitting in advance.

- 4. Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.**

None

- 5. Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.**

The entirety of Ebey Island is located within the riverine estuary, and it was historically part of the natural floodplain and is currently within the 100-year floodplain.

- 6. Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.**

None

**b. Ground:**

[Find help answering ground water questions](#)<sup>7</sup>

- 1. Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.**

None

- 2. Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals...; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.**

None

**c. Water Runoff (including stormwater):**

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<sup>7</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmental-elements-Groundwater>

1. Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.

None

2. Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

N/A

3. Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

Future projects may impact the drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site, e.g., estuary restoration. All future projects will go through the appropriate individual SEPA review and permitting in advance.

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

None at this time

## 4. Plants

[Find help answering plants questions](#)

- a. Check the types of vegetation found on the site:

deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other

evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other

shrubs

grass

pasture

crop or grain

orchards, vineyards, or other permanent crops.

wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other

water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other

other types of vegetation

- b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?

N/A

- c. List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

N/A

- d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any.

None at this time

- e. **List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.**

Blackberry (Class C), Knotweed (Class B), Reed canary grass (Class C)

## 5. Animals

[Find help answering animal questions](#)<sup>8</sup>

- a. **List any birds and other animals that have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site.**

**Examples include:**

- **Birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:**
- **Mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:**
- **Fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other:**

Mammals: Hoary bat, Silver haired bat, Townsend's big-eared bat, Keen's myotis, Big-brown bat, Western spotted skunk, Columbian black-tailed deer

Birds: Cinnamon teal, Tundra swan, Bald eagle, Peregrine falcon, Band-tailed pigeon, Short-eared owl, Western screech owl, Pileated woodpecker, Great blue heron

Amphibians: Western toad

Invertebrates: Western bumble-bee

Fish: Puget Sound Chinook salmon, Puget Sound coho salmon, Puget Sound, steelhead, Pacific lamprey, Bull trout, River lamprey

- b. **List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.**

Puget Sound Chinook salmon – federal threatened

Puget Sound steelhead – federal threatened

Pacific lamprey – federal species of concern

Bull trout – federal threatened

River lamprey – federal species of concern

- c. **Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.**

Yes, existing habitat provides migration routes for migratory bird pacific flyway, and estuaries provide migration for salmonids.

- d. **Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any.**

Create and enhance freshwater wetlands, protect and preserve raised fen, eventually restore estuarine function. All future projects will go through the appropriate individual SEPA review and permitting in advance.

- e. **List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.**

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<sup>8</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-5-Animals>



New Zealand mud snails

## 6. Energy and natural resources

[Find help answering energy and natural resource questions](#)<sup>9</sup>

- a. **What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.**

None

- b. **Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.**

N/A

- c. **What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any.**

N/A

## 7. Environmental health

[Health Find help with answering environmental health questions](#)<sup>10</sup>

- a. **Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur because of this proposal? If so, describe.**

N/A

1. **Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.**

N/A

2. **Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity.**

Olympic gas pipeline runs through the property.

3. **Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project.**

N/A

4. **Describe special emergency services that might be required.**

N/A

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<sup>9</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-6-Energy-natural-resou>

<sup>10</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-7-Environmental-health>

**5. Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any.**

N/a

**b. Noise**

**1. What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?**

Highway 2 runs parallel to the north end of Ebey Island but will not affect this plan.

**2. What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site)?**

N/A

**3. Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:**

N/A

## **8. Land and shoreline use**

[Find help answering land and shoreline use questions](#)<sup>11</sup>

**a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe.**

The current uses of Ebey Island are recreation, wildlife conservation, and agricultural production. Ebey Island is surrounded by rural lands and agriculture.

**b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses because of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use?**

Currently WDFW manages two agricultural leases on Ebey Island, both of which are farmed by the same farmer, totaling approximately 240 acres and lasting three years at a time. Lease 1 is located on the eastern lobe and is approximately 90 acres. Lease two has two parcels, one located on the middle lobe that is 130 acres and one located on the western lobe that is 10-20 acres (refer to figure 8 in the plan for approximate locations).

**1. Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how?**

N/A

**c. Describe any structures on the site.**

The only structure on site is a pump and associated pump house.

**d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?**

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<sup>11</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-8-Land-shoreline-use>

No, not at this time.

**e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?**

A-10, Agricultural

**f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?**

The current comprehensive plan designation for the unit is agricultural land.

**g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?**

A majority of the site is designated as Resource shoreline environment, and the raised fen on the eastern side of the site is designated as a Natural shoreline environment.

**h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.**

Critical Areas: include any of the following areas or ecosystems: aquifer recharge areas, fish and wildlife conservation areas, frequently flooded areas, geologically hazardous areas, and wetlands as defined in Chapter 36.07A RCW and this title.

**i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?**

None

**j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?**

None

**k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any.**

N/A

**l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any.**

Measures identified in this plan are compatible with local land use regulations.

**m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:**

Measures identified in this plan are compatible with nearby agricultural land use and forest lands.

## 9. Housing

[Find help answering housing questions](#)<sup>12</sup>

**a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

No housing is expected.

**b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

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<sup>12</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-9-Housing>

None

- c. **Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:**

None

## 10. Aesthetics

[Find help answering aesthetics questions](#)<sup>13</sup>

- a. **What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?**

N/A

- b. **What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?**

N/A

- c. **Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:**

N/A

## 11. Light and glare

[Find help answering light and glare questions](#)<sup>14</sup>

- a. **What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?**

None

- b. **Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?**

N/A

- c. **What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?**

N/A

- d. **Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:**

N/A

## 12. Recreation

[Find help answering recreation questions](#)

- a. **What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?**

Hunting, fishing, hiking, wildlife viewing, dog training, boating, photography, and walking.

- b. **Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.**

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<sup>13</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-10-Aesthetics>

<sup>14</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-11-Light-glare>

N/A

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:**

Recreational opportunities will be maintained and/or enhanced in this plan.

### 13. Historic and cultural preservation

[Find help answering historic and cultural preservation questions](#)<sup>15</sup>

- a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers? If so, specifically describe.**

None

- b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources.**

None

- c. Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc.**

None

- d. Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required.**

As specified projects are conceived, they will be reviewed by WDFW. Project reviews will be informed by the results of prior archaeological and historic research, review of ethnographies and ethnographic information, information provided by the Tribes during consultation, the results of coordination with stakeholders and wildlife area staff, regional land use practices, local and regional geomorphological conditions, and regional settlement patterns. As needed, WDFW will conduct cultural resource surveys of the project area to assess potential of the project to impact cultural resources, to characterize the impacts, if any, and to make recommendations about reasonable options to avoid, minimize, or mitigate impacts to any archaeological or cultural resources should any be present at the project location.

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<sup>15</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-13-Historic-cultural-p>

## 14. Transportation

[Find help with answering transportation questions<sup>16</sup>](#)

- a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.**

Highway 2 leads to the unit and borders the north side of the island. Coming off Highway 2, 20<sup>th</sup> Street SE runs parallel to the highway along the north side of the unit. 51<sup>st</sup> Ave SE runs south from 20<sup>th</sup> Street SE, and WDFW has a public parking lot off this street. 51<sup>st</sup> Ave SE turns into 43<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE, which runs south throughout most of the expanse of Ebey Island.

- b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?**

None

- c. Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle, or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).**

N/A

- d. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.**

N/A

- e. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?**

N/A

- f. Will the proposal interfere with, affect, or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe.**

N/A

- g. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:**

N/A

## 15. Public services

[Find help answering public service questions<sup>17</sup>](#)

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<sup>16</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-14-Transportation>

<sup>17</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-15-public-services>

- a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.

No

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.

N/A

## 16. Utilities

[Find help answering utilities questions<sup>18</sup>](#)

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other:

N/A

- b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

N/A

## C. Signature

[Find help about who should sign<sup>19</sup>](#)

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

X Lindsey Desmul

Type name of signee:

Position and agency/organization:

Date submitted:

## D. Supplemental sheet for nonproject actions

[Find help for the nonproject actions worksheet<sup>20</sup>](#)

Do not use this section for project actions.

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<sup>18</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-16-utilities>

<sup>19</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-C-Signature>

<sup>20</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-d-non-project-actions>

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

**1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?**

N/A

- **Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:**

N/A

**2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?**

The goals of the Ebey Island Management Plan include:

- Protect and restore the fen
- Enhance wetlands for wildlife
- Maintain agricultural leases as a tool to control invasive vegetation
- Improve access and recreational experience for visitors
- Progress toward long-term need for tidal restoration
- **Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:**

Recommended measures to reach the above goals can be seen in table 1 of the management plan.

**3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?**

N/A

- **Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:**

N/A

**4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection, such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?**

The goals of this plan (outlined above) provide protection and enhancement for fish and wildlife.

- **Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:**

Recommended measures to reach the stated goals can be seen in table 1 of the management plan.



**5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?**

This management plan provides protection and enhancement measures for estuary, riparian, and wetland systems.

- **Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:**

N/A

**6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?**

N/A

- **Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:**

N/A

**7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.**

This management plan meets all federal, local and state requirements for protection of the environment.