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**DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

**Name of Proposal:** DNS 24-005: EBHEY ISLAND MANAGEMENT PLAN

**Description of Proposal:**

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 which is adopted here by reference.

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**Location of Proposal, including street, if any:** Ebey Island Unit of the WDFW Snoqualmie Wildlife Area, immediately east of Everett, Snohomish County, Washington: Township 29N, Range 5E, Sections 26, 27, 28, 29, 34, and 35.

**The Following Document is Incorporated by Reference:** WDFW September 2018 Snoqualmie Wildlife Area Management Plan.

**The Document is 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 document is also available for review online at:

<https://wdfw.wa.gov/licenses/environmental/sepa/open-comments> (choose year 2018 and scroll down to 18016) and <https://wdfw.wa.gov/publications/01977>

**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 February 21, 2024.**

**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/EbeyIslandPlan>
- Email to: [EbeyIslandPlan@PublicInput.com](mailto:EbeyIslandPlan@PublicInput.com)

**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: <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.<sup>1</sup>

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](mailto:SEPADesk2@dfw.wa.gov).

**DATE OF ISSUE:** February 7, 2024

**SIGNATURE:** 

Footnotes

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

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