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**ADDENDUM 24-023 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 **2024** season.

This proposal includes the rehabilitation of West Medical Lake; Spokane County in Eastern Washington which is managed exclusively as trout emphasis. Planned treatment of the intermittently watered ponds at West Medical Ponds was canceled in 2023 due to low water levels. Population expansion of goldfish at West Medical Lake requires treatment of the entire lake in the fall of 2024. The rehabilitation treatment 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, West Medical Lake will be stocked with catchable Rainbow Trout, *Oncorhynchus mykiss*, and Brown Trout, *Salmo trutta*, in March-April of 2025 to support fisheries in the spring of 2025. They will also be stocked with Rainbow Trout fry/fingerlings in spring 2025 to create a more economically and biologically sustainable trout-only fishery. All subsequent stockings will consist mainly of fry or fingerling-size trout.

The primary competing/predatory species targeted for removal in West Medical Lake is Goldfish, *Carassius auratus*, but also includes Pumpkinseed Sunfish, *Lepomis gibbosus*.

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**Location of Current Proposals:** Implementation of the FSEIS includes the following waters for the **2024** season:

**Spokane County**

**West Medical Lake** – Located approximately 2 miles west of Medical Lake, Washington. Sections 12 and 24, Township 24 North, Range 40E, WM.

**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 24 days of the date of this determination. The comment period will end at **5:00 pm on July 12, 2024.**

**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/LakeStreamRehab2024>
- Email to: [LakeStreamRehab2024@PublicInput.com](mailto:LakeStreamRehab2024@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>. 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](mailto:SEPADesk2@dfw.wa.gov).

**DATE OF ISSUE:** June 18, 2024

**SIGNATURE:**

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