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To: [Jeremiah Cromie](#)
Cc: [Hill, Susan \(DNR\)](#)
Subject: [External Email] RE: Request for Comment and Notice of Application SEPA Registration SX-21-00003 Demarest
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Jerome,

This bank stabilization project will need an agreement from the Dept. of Natural Resources for any work below the OHW on the Yakima River. The proponent will need to supply a JARPA document with the Attachment E to the DNR with the \$25 application fee.

Thank you for the opportunity to review this project and comment.

Cindy

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Allyson Brooks Ph.D., Director
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April 7, 2021

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In future correspondence please refer to:
Project Tracking Code: 2021-04-02040
Property: Kittitas County_Demarest Shoreline Stabilization Project (SX-21-00003)
Re: Monitoring Requested

Dear Jeremiah Cromie:

Thank you for contacting the Washington State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) and providing documentation regarding the above referenced project. Our statewide predictive model indicates that there is a high probability of encountering cultural resources within the proposed project area. This is due, in part, to the proximity of the proposed project area to the Yakima River, a resource known to have been historically important to Native American groups and/or settlers in the area. Further, the scale of the proposed ground disturbing actions would destroy any archaeological resources present. We therefore recommend that the proposed shoreline excavation is monitored by a professional archaeologist. We also recommend consultation with the concerned Tribes' cultural committees and staff regarding cultural resource issues.

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on behalf of the SHPO in conformance with Washington State law. Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project and we look forward to receiving the monitoring report. Please ensure that the DAHP Project Number (a.k.a. Project Tracking Code) is shared with any hired cultural resource consultants and is attached to any communications or submitted reports. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Subject: RE: Request for Comment and Notice of Application SEPA Registration SX-21-00003 Demarest
Date: Thursday, April 8, 2021 11:20:20 AM

Jeremiah,

Public health has no comments or concerns with the application.

Thank you,

Holly Erdman

From: Jeremiah Cromie <jeremiah.cromie@co.kittitas.wa.us>

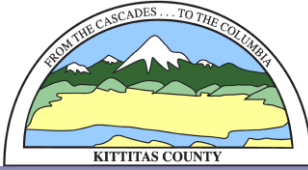
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Good morning,



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"Building Partnerships – Building Communities"

April 8, 2021

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RE: SX-21-00003 Demarest

Dear Mr. Cromie,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the above listed application.

CDS Building Division has no comments regarding this application as it appears there are no structures proposed.

Please don't hesitate to contact me should you have any further questions.

MIKE FLORY

Mike Flory,
Building Official



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April 12, 2021

Jeremiah Cromie
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Re: SEPA Register 202101587, SX-21-00003

Dear Jeremiah Cromie:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Determination of Non Significance for the Demarest bank stabilization and stair project. We have reviewed the documents and have the following comments.

SHORELANDS/ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE

Thank you for providing the Department of Ecology (Ecology) an opportunity to review and provide comment on the proposed bank stabilization and stair project on the Demarest parcel located at 850 Pebble Beach Drive, Cle Elum, Washington. The project proposes to install a set of slate stairs from the top of bank to the water's edge and to stabilize the bank by grading the slope back to a 2:1 slope and using a combination of cobbles (12'' to 24'' in size, soil, jute matting, and seeding. Plan sheet 4 describes the existing riparian vegetation and that which is to be planted. Species noted included snowberry, wild rose (no species provided), and willow. Ecology has some concerns with the plant species listed and the potential location of these species. Plan sheets show riparian vegetation is to be planted both above and below the ordinary high water mark (OHWM). If the individual plants are not planted in the appropriate shoreline zone they may not be successful in becoming established and could either be significantly stressed or die. The key is to know the species of each plant to be planted and their indicator status. The indicator status is used to guide the planting location and to help understand how often it is found in wet or saturated soils. For example, common snowberry (*Symphoricarpos albus*) has a facultative upland (FACU) indicator status. This means they can be found in wetter but they are more often located in upland conditions. Therefore, to ensure the successful establishment of the planted shrubs they should be planted above the OHWM and not in the wetter zone below it. There are rose species that prefer drier conditions and species that can withstand more saturated conditions better, therefore it is necessary to know what species is to be planted and the location at which it is to be planted. I would recommend the County require plants with a FAC to FACW indicator status to be planted at or below the OHWM and

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species having a FAC to UPL indicator status to be planted at and above the OHWM, respectively.

Placement of fill or excavation within a water of the U.S. (or below the OHWM) may require an individual or general (nationwide) permit from the U.S. Army of Corps of Engineers (Corps). We advise the applicant to contact the Corps to determine if a permit is needed. In addition, review and authorization from the Department of Ecology may be required.

Ecology recommends the County requests a more detailed planting plan to ensure the bioengineered bank stabilization is successful. Ecology staff would be happy to review any planting plans associated with the bank stabilization project. Should you have any questions regarding these comments, please contact **Lori White** at (509) 575-2616 or lori.white@ecy.wa.gov.

WATER QUALITY

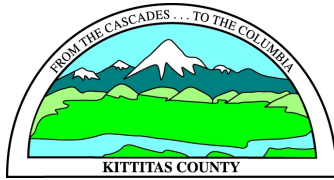
There are multiple 303(d) listed impaired waters, and a Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) listing at this location on the Yakima River. Any landscape-level changes, including construction, within the watershed should consider the impacts to local watersheds and to downstream users. Numeric criteria for water quality standards for surface waters for the state of Washington can be found in WAC 173-201A.

If you have any questions concerning the Water Quality comments, please contact **Cole Provence** at (509) 454-4174 or email at cole.provence@ecy.wa.gov .

Sincerely,



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KITTITAS COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

MEMORANDUM

TO: All Staff
FROM: Public Works Planning Review Team
DATE: April 13, 2021
SUBJECT: SX-21-00003 Demarest

Public Works has reviewed the Shoreline Exemption Application. Please see comments below:

The proposed project is within the FEMA-identified 100-year floodplain and floodway. Therefore, it will require a floodplain development permit from Kittitas County and must comply with Kittitas County Code 14.08.300 (Floodways). The design approach proposed, in which all placed rock will be located at or behind existing grade, and the existing bank will be sloped back, is likely to help this project meet these code requirements. Please contact the Floodplain Manager at Public Works (509-962-7690) with any questions.

Additionally, please consider BMPs for erosion control during construction, especially at the water's edge.