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October 11, 2018

Mitch & Julie Williams
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Subject: Williams Shoreline Substantial Development Permit (SD-18-00001)

Dear Applicant,

Enclosed are the comments received regarding the Williams Shoreline Substantial Development Permit (SD-18-00001) during the comment period:

August 31, 2018	Kittitas Valley Fire and Rescue – Rich Elliot
September 28, 2018	Department of Ecology – Gwen Clear
October 1, 2018	Department of Fish and Wildlife – Jennifer Nelson

This letter will be followed up with a request for more information in needed once staff reviews all comments. Please review all comments and notify me of any questions.

Sincerely,

Chelsea Benner
Planner I

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From: Rich Elliott <elliotttr@kvfr.org>
Sent: Friday, August 31, 2018 11:30 AM
To: Chelsea Benner
Cc: Joe Seemiller; John Sinclair
Subject: RE: Notice of Application

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

The bridge needs to be compliant with applicable provisions Appendix D – IFC, WUI and Kittitas County road standards. It will need to be posted with engineered weight capacity (minimum 4" characters) from both directions of travel and, at a minimum, be capable of supporting 75,000 lbs.

From: Chelsea Benner <chelsea.benner@co.kittitas.wa.us>
Sent: Friday, August 31, 2018 11:17 AM
To: Julie Kjorsvik <julie.kjorsvik@co.kittitas.wa.us>; Tristen Lamb <tristen.lamb@co.kittitas.wa.us>; Holly Erdman <Holly.erdman@co.kittitas.wa.us>; Patti Johnson <patti.johnson@co.kittitas.wa.us>; Lisa Lawrence <lisa.lawrence@co.kittitas.wa.us>; Taylor Gustafson <taylor.gustafson@co.kittitas.wa.us>; Candie Leader <candie.leader@co.kittitas.wa.us>; 'enviroreview@yakama.com' <enviroreview@yakama.com>; 'johnson@yakama.com' <johnson@yakama.com>; 'John Marvin' <jmarvin@yakama.com>; 'jessica@yakama.com' <jessica@yakama.com>; 'migi461@ECY.WA.GOV' <migi461@ECY.WA.GOV>; 'lowh461@ECY.WA.GOV' <lowh461@ECY.WA.GOV>; 'Gwen Clear' <gcle461@ecy.wa.gov>; jennifer.nelson@dfw.wa.gov; 'Scott.Downes@dfw.wa.gov' <Scott.Downes@dfw.wa.gov>; 'sepa@dahp.wa.gov' <sepa@dahp.wa.gov>; 'nelmsk@cwu.edu' <nelmsk@cwu.edu>; 'jorgenja@cwu.edu' <jorgenja@cwu.edu>; 'ben.serr@doh.wa.gov' <ben.serr@doh.wa.gov>; 'russell.mau@doh.wa.gov' <russell.mau@doh.wa.gov>; 'becky.kennedy@dnr.wa.gov' <becky.kennedy@dnr.wa.gov>; 'cindy.preston@dnr.wa.gov' <cindy.preston@dnr.wa.gov>; 'rivers@dnr.wa.gov' <rivers@dnr.wa.gov>; 'Deborah.j.knaub@usace.army.mil' <Deborah.j.knaub@usace.army.mil>; 'chelberg@usbr.gov' <chelberg@usbr.gov>; 'Michael.j.daniels3.civ@mail.mil' <Michael.j.daniels3.civ@mail.mil>; 'Kimberly.peacher@navy.mil' <Kimberly.peacher@navy.mil>; Jacob Prilucik <SCPlanning@wsdot.wa.gov>; 'klarned@fs.fed.us' <klarned@fs.fed.us>; 'Mrivera1@bpa.gov' <Mrivera1@bpa.gov>; 'Lynn.Harmon@PARKS.WA.GOV' <Lynn.Harmon@PARKS.WA.GOV>; 'Elizabeth.Torrey@dfw.wa.gov' <Elizabeth.Torrey@dfw.wa.gov>; 'krd.keli@fairpoint.net' <krd.keli@fairpoint.net>; 'fwalker@eburg.wednet.edu' <fwalker@eburg.wednet.edu>; Rich Elliott <elliotttr@kvfr.org>
Cc: Lindsey Ozbolt <lindsey.ozbolt@co.kittitas.wa.us>
Subject: Notice of Application

Good Morning,

Please see the attached Notice of Application for the Williams Shoreline Substantial Development Permit and associated SEPA checklist. All comments are due by 5pm on October 1,2018. The below links will take you to the project files. Please let me know if you have any questions.

[Internal SD-18-00001](#)

[External SD-18-00001](#)

Thank you,

Chelsea Benner

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September 28, 2018

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Re: SD-18-00001

Dear Ms. Benner:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment during the optional determination of nonsignificance process for the construction of a new bridge, proposed by Mitch and Julie Williams. We have reviewed the documents and have the following comments.

WATER QUALITY

Manastash Creek is a protected waterbody. The reach of Manastash Creek that includes the proposed new bridge site has documented summer water temperatures in exceedance of Washington State water quality standards, and is on Washington State's list of impaired waters. Therefore, any work completed on this stretch of the creek must maintain as much of the existing stream-shading vegetation as possible; in this case, the applicant should protect existing riparian vegetation wherever possible and install new native riparian vegetation as part of the project.

Manastash Creek is also included in the Upper Yakima River Basin Suspended Sediment, Turbidity, and Organochlorine Pesticide Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) water quality improvement program. Therefore, the proposed project will need to protect Manastash Creek from further degradation from sedimentation. Project planning and construction, and all future use of the site, needs to include water quality protection. The application does not state when the project will be completed; it will be preferable to construct the new bridge when flows in Manastash Creek are low, to avoid as much sediment pollution as possible.

Please contact Jane Creech at (509) 454-7860 or email at jton461@ecy.wa.gov if you have any questions or concerns about these Water Quality comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gwen Clear".

Gwen Clear
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DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
South Central Region • Ellensburg District Office
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October 1, 2018

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RE: WDFW comments on SD-18-00001 Williams Shoreline Substantial Development along Manastash Creek

Dear Ms. Benner,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Shoreline Substantial Development Permit (SD-18-00001 Mitchell) to construct a private bridge for a single family residence.

Mid-Columbia Steelhead have been documented in Manastash Creek and they are currently federally listed as threatened on the endangered species list and are a state candidate species. Manastash Creek supports other fish species as well; including chinook and coho salmon. Millions of dollars in habitat restoration have been invested in the Manastash Watershed for salmon and steelhead recovery and the fish are responding to these conservation efforts. The Williams' have been willing partners on several of these restoration projects.

WDFW met onsite with Mr. Williams and his bridge engineer for a pre-application meeting to discuss the bridge design in July 2018. Preliminary review of the bridge designs indicate that the design meets our current regulations and guidelines for new bridges and Mr. Williams has started the application process for a Hydraulic Project Approval (HPA) from WDFW. The design includes using the cleared trees in channel and along the banks for additional instream fish habitat. The large wood installation within the channel should be part of the Shoreline Development Permit proposal.

While the application materials may be sufficient for hydraulic project review, they lack information needed for the Shoreline Development Permit review. The application materials do not reflect the clearing or fill (grading) needed for driveway construction through the vegetated riparian habitat and Shoreline designated as Rural Conservancy. In the SEPA checklist, the area of disturbance and impervious surface only describes the footprint of the bridge deck (14' x 60') and does not describe actions within the Shoreline jurisdiction that will occur to construct the driveway on either side of the proposed bridge. Without this information, it is difficult to assess impacts to the Shoreline environment, critical areas, or the 100 year floodplain. The riparian corridor along Manastash Creek provides habitat for fish and wildlife and it helps to stabilize the

stream banks, slow and store flood waters, and protect water quality. Additionally, there is little mention of the nearby infrastructure that delivers supplemental water to Manastash Creek; it is critical to ensuring perennial flow in lower Manastash Creek for fish and riparian vegetation.

Please provide additional information for the design and construction of the driveway associated with the proposed bridge and any other work that is proposed within the Shoreline jurisdiction.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment and work with the proponents to meet their needs. Please feel free to contact me at (509) 961-6639 or Jennifer.nelson@dfw.wa.gov if you have any questions about these comments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jennifer Nelson". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Jennifer Nelson
Area Habitat Biologist