

Project Narrative

9. Narrative project description

The project's purpose is to develop a trailhead in the Teanaway Community Forest, located on the north side of the West Fork Teanaway Road adjacent to the West Fork trail system. An access/address permit (AA-23-00076) has been issued for this parking lot.

Development will include a minimum of 65 parking spaces, a vault toilet, and two informational kiosks. All of this within a 1.4 acre footprint. The primary recreation opportunity provided by this project is access to hiking, mountain biking, and equestrian use.

There is no water supply, sewage, or other utility at this location. This location is within the Teanaway Community Forest, which offers a rustic and remote recreation experience for the public. This project will not have an impact on such elements of "usual Public Facility Permit project".

10. Explain in detail whether the proposed Public Facilities Permit will cause each any of the following:

- O Be detrimental to public health, safety, and general welfare? There is no detrimental impact to public health and safety. Rather, the trailhead offers a positive health and general welfare imp[act to the residents of Kittitas County by providing free access to outdoor recreation close to home. While the site is under construction, the area will be blocked up using barriers to restrict public access to ensure public safety.
- Be injurious to the property or improvements adjacent to, and in the vicinity of, the site upon which the proposed use is to be located?
 There are no injurious impacts to the site. We will remove 10 trees to create the site and will repurpose those trees and root wads in the form of river restoration working with Yakima Nation and non-profits to accomplish that work. Restoration will aid in habitat improvements and naturalization of the riparian areas.
- Adversely affect the established character of the surrounding vicinity The main purpose of this project is to properly meet the public need for access to outdoor recreation in Kittitas County. Maintaining the natural character of the landscape is of the utmost importance. The set and setting will remain largely unaltered and will provide a natural setting with its character unchanged.