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Zach Torrance-Smith
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RE: 202405397; SP-24-00015

Dear Zach Torrance-Smith:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Notice of Application for the Schmitt Short Plat. We have reviewed the application and have the following comment.

Water Quality Program

Dividing or platting a piece of property is often the first step in a proposed development. An NPDES Construction Stormwater Permit may be required if there is a potential for stormwater discharge from a construction site with disturbed ground. Ground disturbance includes all utility placements, and building or upgrading roads. The permitting process requires going through SEPA, developing a stormwater pollution prevention plan, submitting an application, and a 30-day public notice process. This may take 38-60 days. A permit and a stormwater plan are required prior to beginning ground-breaking activities. Please contact **Wendy Neet** with the Department of Ecology, (509) 571-6733, with questions about this permit.

Sincerely,

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