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To: [Jeremiah Cromie](#); [Jeremy Johnston](#)
Subject: RE: Kittitas County Hearing Examiner Public Hearing
Date: Friday, October 15, 2021 8:02:27 AM

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Jeremiah,

Following up on our request from last night. Here would be the wording for that condition that we would recommend:

15. After any portion of the landfill ~~After the portion of the landfill expansion referenced in this permit~~ is closed, the covering of the landfill shall be replanted with native shrubsteppe vegetation as part of a restoration plan to improve habitat in the area in coordination with Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife. Prior to breaking ground on the new landfill portion, the applicant must submit a revegetation plan and be reviewed by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife. That revegetation plan must include a monitoring component to ensure success. Beyond what is permitted, no future clearing of shrubsteppe habitat is permitted without consultation of a habitat management plan.

Thank you for working with us on this.

Scott

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Thank you for sharing. I will recommend that a plan be put in place prior to construction so we are on the same page and that a monitoring component be included to ensure success.

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Scott,

I have attached the staff report to this e-mail. You can find recommended conditions at the end. The language for the condition you referenced is the following:

15. After the portion of the landfill expansion referenced in this permit is closed, the covering of the landfill shall be replanted with native shrubsteppe vegetation as part of a restoration plan to improve habitat in the area in coordination with Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife.

You can certainly suggest amending the language to the Hearings Examiner tonight at the hearing for their decision if you don't think it is adequate enough.

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Any chance you could share the final wording for the habitat restoration condition? I'm looking for two things that I hope will be in there:

1. Full habitat restoration, it needs to include the same native species (shrubs and grass) that were present historically.
2. There needs to be a habitat mitigation plan developed and approved before we are breaking ground. That plan would have details on species being planted, a monitoring component etc..

Thanks. See you virtually this evening.

Scott

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Scott,

Virtual is fine for the hearing.

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Jeremy,

As you had asked WDFW to be present at this hearing, I'm clarifying if you had a preference of virtual or in person for our attendance. Virtual would certainly be easier, but if it would help the hearing to have us in person, I will be there in person.

Scott

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Subject: Kittitas County Hearing Examiner Public Hearing

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Thank you for your time,

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