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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS) (WAC 197-11-970)

Name of Proposal:

Woods Creek Shelter and Trail

Description of Proposal:

The proposed project includes the construction of a 20' x 40' covered shelter located at the existing Woods Creek hydroelectric facility. Additionally, a trail will be built to connect the sheltered area to the powerhouse. The purpose of this project is to provide a covered area that will be used during educational tours and gatherings.

In addition to the proposed work, this project evaluation also includes an impact analysis and proposed mitigation for clearing that occurred on the west side of Woods Creek within critical area buffer. The clearing occurred in the footprint of an overgrown access road for the purposes of emergency access to infrastructure located on the western side of Woods Creek.

Proponent:

Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County

Location of Proposal, including street address, if any:

10700 Hand Road, Monroe, Washington. Latitude 47.89959 N and Longitude -121.87558 W

Lead Agency:

Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request, or at www.snopud.com/sepa.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted by September 23, 2024.

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