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**RE:** SEPA Exemption Determination

**SUBJECT:** Fishways Structures in Freshwater Statewide

WSDOT needs to perform routine maintenance activities to remove debris within and adjacent to our fishway structures. Minor repairs such as the replacement of baffles, wiers, and othe components may also be necessary. The work is necessary to insure the fishway structures function properly to allow for the movement of fish through the system.

Activities will follow the requirements per WSDOT's permit with the Department of Fish & Wildlife.

We have evaluated these activities and found the work to be consistent with those activitie adopted under SEPA on January 1, 2008 through the NEPA DNS issued by NOAA Fisheries for the Regional Road Maintenance Program as well as categorically exempt for SEPA threshold determination pursuant to WAC 468-12-800 (1)(u) which covers the repair, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing transportation strcutures.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Megan White".

Megan White, P.E., Director  
Environmental Services Office

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