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### State Environmental Policy Act Determination of Non-significance

**Date of Issuance:** June 7, 2021

**Project Name:** Palouse to Cascades State Park Trail: Crab Creek Trestle

**Lead Agency:** Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

**Description of Proposal:** The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission (Commission) proposes to rehabilitate Crab Creek Trestle on the Palouse to Cascades State Park Trail. The railroad trestle over Crab Creek was badly burned in 2019. The only remaining components are several piles and pile stubs that remain in the channel. The purpose of the project is to replace the trestle with a new bridge structure to maintain trail connectivity in either direction from the stream crossing. In light of the damage that occurred, removing the creosote-treated piers, and replacing the bridge is considered the best option to repair the trail crossing of Crab Creek. The replacement bridge will be designed to benefit fish habitat and will span the entire channel between the existing bridge approaches that consist of railroad ballast and fill that was historically placed to elevate the railroad prism above the surrounding floodplain. No new structures will be placed within the channel. Existing burned piles and other debris currently remaining in the water will be removed.

**Location of Proposal:** Crab Creek Trestle is located along the Palouse to Cascades State Park Trail, 10 miles east of Beverly, Washington, in Grant County, in Section 31 of Township 16 N and Range 25 E of the Willamette Meridian.

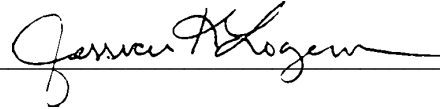
**Threshold Determination:** The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact to the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available at <https://parks.state.wa.us/865/SEPA-review---current>

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal until the comment period has closed. Comments must be submitted by June 21, 2021, or they may not be considered.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal; however, all comments are welcome and will be thoroughly considered.