



Island County Planning and Community Development

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Notice of Application - Optional DNS Process

Date of issuance: 7/12/23

Island County has received a permit application for the following project.

Date of notice of application: July 19, 2023

Comment due date: August 2, 2023

Staff Contact: Chloe Bonsen **email:** c.bonsen@islandcountywa.gov **phone:** 360.678.7822

File Number: 189/23 **Applicant:** William Fairbanks, Trustee

Location: S7005-00-010174-0, Oak Harbor

Proposal – Replace existing beach access stairs located landward of the Ordinary High Watermark.

Island County has reviewed the proposed project for probable adverse environmental impacts and expects to issue a determination of non-significance (DNS). The optional DNS process established by WAC 197-11-355 is being used. The determination is based on the following findings and conclusions: The replacement stairs will be located and rebuilt in the same footprint within any existing invasive species being replaced with natives—using best management practices when the building.

Island County regulations under ICC 17.02B (Critical Areas), Title XI (Land Development Standards) & other applicable regulations are used to review and condition development to protect critical areas affected by this proposal. The proposal may include mitigation & the project review process may incorporate or require mitigation measures regardless of whether an EIS is required.

Public, Agency, and Tribal Comments: Agencies, tribes, and the public are encouraged to review and comment on the proposed project and its probable environmental impacts. Public comments must be received by 4:30 pm on **August 2, 2023**; mail to Island County Planning Department 1 NE 7th St., Coupeville, WA 98239; deliver to 1 NE 6th St, Coupeville, WA 98239; or 121 N. East Camano Drive, Camano Island; or Fax (360) 679-7306. This may be the only opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of the proposal.

To request notice of hearings, to receive a copy of the decision, or for information on appeals, contact us at the above address.

The following conditions have been identified that may be used to mitigate the adverse environmental impacts of the proposal:

Required Permits: Shoreline Exemption, Building Permit

Required Studies: *Biological Site Assessment, Geotechnical, FEMA habitat assessment*