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Subject: WDFW Stream Classification

Kristie,

Following a day in the field with BNSF, WDFW's freshwater Habitat Biologist for Whatcom County, Jeff Kamps, noted that the watercourse interconnections in the vicinity of the stream 4 and stream 7 intersection north of Lonseth Road includes multiple culverts and warrants further investigation before defining the limits of WDFW's Hydraulic Code authority in this area. Subsequent to talking with Jeff Kamps, Melinda Gray (AMEX) and I visited the site on June 20, 2011 to corroborate Jeff's observations. As a result of our site visit, I concur with Jeff Kamps' assessment and have concluded that my April 27, 2011 email and highlighted map over simplified WDFW's Hydraulic Code authority in this area. It is my understanding that the area in the vicinity of the stream 4 and stream 7 intersection is beyond the GPT property boundary and includes land owned by DNR and BNSF. Though the watercourse classifications in this area may change in the future as a result of additional survey work associated with potential BNSF improvements, I do not expect the watercourses subject to WDFW's Hydraulic Code authority on the GPT property, as presented in my April 27, 2011 email and highlighted map, to change.