

MEMORANDUM

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FROM: Paul Knowles, Special Projects Manager

DATE: April 8th, 2021

SUBJECT: SEPA Exemption for Etter Ranch Trailhead Parking Project

The Etter Ranch Trailhead project, proposed and funded by Spokane County will construct a new trailhead parking area providing 20 car spaces. Storm water run-off will be directed into swales with bio-infiltration galleries.

WAC 197-11-800 Section 2(e), lists the following as exempt from SEPA “Grading, excavating, filling, septic tank installations, and landscaping necessary for any building or facility exempted by subsections (1) and (2) of this section, as well as fencing and the construction of small structures and minor facilities accessory thereto.”

The parking area is exempted under (1)(b)(iv) “... This exemption includes parking lots for twenty (Spokane County Environmental Code allows 40) or fewer automobiles not associated with a structure.”

Per the above information, it is not necessary to circulate an Environmental Checklist for review and comment on this project.