

RE: SEP25-025 Clubhouse at Covenant Living



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To Ryan Harriman

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Hey Ryan,

There was one last comment from our F&W Biologist, Chris Anderson, on this project (SEPA#202504015), because their SEPA checklist mentioned potential great blue herons in the vicinity. WDFW asks that any activity be reported to our region's wildlife biologist, Chris (Christopher.Anderson@dfw.wa.gov or +14253412054), as soon as possible, so we can work with the applicant to ensure appropriate considerations are taken. Especially report any nesting behaviors, such as herons carrying twigs, or nests with eggs or young.

Since great blue herons are state protected (RCW 77.15.130), to avoid potential violations, we always recommend appropriate on-the-ground field surveys by a consultant or biologist—not only administrative ones—to document occurrences for due diligence if herons are suspected to be nearby.

They also mentioned bald eagles, but that is no longer our jurisdiction. If they need to know who to contact, we have the information here: <https://wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/at-risk/species-recovery/bald-eagle>.

Thanks again. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Best,



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