



**Montana Fish,
Wildlife & Parks**

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NOTICE OF DECISION

March 17, 2008

TO: Environmental Quality Council
Director's Office, Dept. of Environmental Quality
Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks*

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* (Sent electronically)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

A Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) was prepared for Pelican Fishing Access near Reedpoint, Montana. The draft EA was circulated for 30 days and legal notices were published on the Montana Fish, Wildlife and Parks webpage, the Stillwater County News and the Helena Independent Record. We received one comment via e-mail on this project.

The department has decided to proceed with the project as described in the Environmental Assessment.

This decision is subject to appeal, which must be submitted to the FWP Director in writing, and postmarked within 30 days of the date on this decision notice. The appeal must specifically describe the basis for the appeal, explain how the appellant has previously commented to the department or participated in the decision-making process, and lay out how FWP might address the concerns in the appeal. If you have questions regarding this decision notice, please send e-mails to twalters@mt.gov.

Thank you for your interest.

Gary Hammond
Region 5 Supervisor

Pelican FAS EA Comment Summary

One comment was received by e-mail regarding the Pelican FAS EA.

The commenter raised the issue that developing roads over the mature cottonwood roots would harm the trees.

Response: When the site plan is developed consideration will be given to road placement in regards to avoiding compaction of the soils over the roots of the mature cottonwood trees.