

**Alisa Hasbrouck**

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**From:** Bruce Lindeke <bruce@lindeke.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 19, 2022 8:33 AM  
**To:** David W. Johnson  
**Cc:** Alisa Hasbrouck; Kathy Lindeke  
**Subject:** JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE OF TYPE I LAND USE APPLICATION AND PENDING SEPA DETERMINATION MLA22-00015 - shooting range at Camp Parsons

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David,

I writing to find out more about the above referenced application. Could you please call me or reply? We are neighbors of Camp Parsons since the 1940s and want to find out more about what they are asking to be permitted.

Thank you.

Bruce Lindeke

206-818-2751

**Alisa Hasbrouck**

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**From:** Alisa Hasbrouck  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 27, 2022 4:39 PM  
**To:** bruce@lindeke.com  
**Subject:** BSA-Camp Parsons - LAND USE APPLICATION AND PENDING SEPA DETERMINATION  
MLA22-00015

Bruce,

The application documents are available on our webpage here: <https://jeffersoncountypublichealth.org/974/Permits>.  
I've added you to the list of those who wish to receive notice of and participate in public hearings, if any, and to receive a copy of the decision.

Respectfully,

Alisa Hasbrouck  
Environmental Public Health Manager  
Jefferson County Public Health  
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April 19, 2022

David Wayne Johnson, Project Planner  
Alisa Hasbrouck, Application Manager  
Jefferson County Department of Community Development  
Development Review Division  
621 Sheridan Street  
Port Townsend, WA 98368

Re: JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE OF TYPE I LAND USE APPLICATION AND PENDING SEPA  
DETERMINATION MLA22-00015

Dear David and Alisa,

I am requesting to (b) receive notice of and participate in any hearings; and (c) receive a copy of the decision per the public announcement in the Port Townsend Leader posted April 13, 2022.

I would also like to receive a copy of the application made by The Boy Scouts of America, Camp Parsons. In particular, I am interested in the Operations component, per 8.50.240 (1) (b) of the Jefferson County Code.

Sincerely



Bruce Lindeke

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**From:** DEBORAH SIEFERT <windycrest@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, May 12, 2022 4:21 PM  
**To:** Alisa Hasbrouck  
**Subject:** Comment on OTH2022-00006

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Hello Ms. Hasbrouck,

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We have lived on Jackson Cove for over 20 years and the BSA Camp Parsons have been good neighbors. We hear the rifle range and other activities, they have always responded kindly to our noise concerns when we have called them.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Deborah Siefert  
376 Pulali Pt. Rd.  
Brinnon, Wa

Sent from my iPad

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May I clarify, concern is the users would not be scouts and the lead from bullets will not be contained properly to avoid contamination of adjacent waters and wildlife. Thanks  
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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Alisa Hasbrouck <AHasbrouck@co.jefferson.wa.us>  
**Date:** May 12, 2022 at 4:29:25 PM PDT  
**To:** DEBORAH SIEFERT <windycrest@aol.com>  
**Cc:** "David W. Johnson" <djohnson@co.jefferson.wa.us>  
**Subject:** RE: Comment on OTH2022-00006

Deborah,

Thank you for your comments – I will make sure they are entered into the record.

Respectfully,

Alisa Hasbrouck  
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**Cc:** David W. Johnson  
**Subject:** FW: Camp Parsons shooting range

**Follow Up Flag:** Follow up  
**Flag Status:** Flagged

FYI

-----Original Message-----

From: David W. Johnson <djohnson@co.jefferson.wa.us>  
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2022 11:33 AM  
To: John Danielson <358john@gmail.com>  
Cc: David W. Johnson <djohnson@co.jefferson.wa.us>  
Subject: RE: Camp Parsons shooting range

John,

Camp Parsons is not applying to become a commercial shooting facility. Under the new regulations, they are classified as commercial, and therefore need to get an operating permit for their existing rifle range. They are not changing or adding anything and they are not opening the range up for the general public to use.

Thanks! Let me know if you have any questions.

-----Original Message-----

From: John Danielson <358john@gmail.com>  
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2022 10:30 AM  
To: David W. Johnson <djohnson@co.jefferson.wa.us>  
Subject: Camp Parsons shooting range

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David,

I live on Bee Mill Rd. near Camp Parsons and a neighbor recently emailed me regarding the public notice that has gone up near the existing shooting range there. She states that the county is requesting a Determination of Non Significance to expand the scout range into a commercial shooting range. Is this the case? I have read the public notice on display there and from the wording it appears that the county is only trying to get the existing gun range to be in compliance with a newly enacted law (JCC Chapter 8.50 Article III) to obtain an operating permit. Since your name and contact info was listed at the end of the notice, I thought it best to ask you what is really going on there. Please get back to me at your convenience as I would like to be on record to object if this scout range is looking to become a commercial shooting range.

Received  
Jefferson County Public Health  
4/25/2022

Thank you,  
John Danielson  
2510 Bee Mill Rd  
206-739-9908

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From:  
Kirie Pedersen  
687 Pulali Point Road  
Brinnon, WA 98320

Re: TYPE I LAND USE APPLICATION AND PENDING SEPA DETERMINATION MLA22-00015-  
Camp Parsons Gun Range

12 May 2022

Greetings Alisa Hasbrouck:

As a long-time resident whose home and property adjoins that of Camp Parsons, I want to address environmental and safety concerns about the land use application and pending SEPA determination referenced above.

The application states that the gun range has been in use for the past fifty years. This implies that guns have been used in the existing range with no problems or issues. My family has lived here since 1946. I have been a homeowner and taxpayer here since 1988. My extended family, friends, neighbors, and I walk and/or drive by the range regularly. The gun range was permitted in June 2002. Prior to that, the range was used to archery.

The application states that the shooting range is for Scout use under supervision during specific hours and days during summer camp season only. During Covid lockdown, when Parsons was closed, shooting continued, both at the range and in the main camp area. During camp season and at other times, the shooting is audible to those

who live along Pulali Point Road as well as to locals and tourists who use Bee Mill Road for recreational walks. At times, this is after the designated hours on this application and the 2002 permit.

The application indicates guns used for Scouting are the 22 long rifle and black powder musket, which are relatively quiet compared to other weapons. At times, the shooting noise level indicates other types of guns, including at one point semi-automatic weapons heard by several of us who live here.

Jefferson County Shooting Range Minimum Standards 8.50.250 state:

(1) Required Security. Commercial shooting facilities shall be operated to deter unauthorized entry to any shooting range.

(2) Containment. Commercial shooting facilities shall be operated so that when firearms are operating in accordance with the rules and regulations (as defined above) there is containment, thereby minimizing threatened harm.

(3) Operations Cannot Create a Nuisance. The operation of commercial shooting facilities shall not create a public nuisance. [Ord. 4-20 § 1 (Appx. B)]

The 2002 shooting range permit material states: “3. Warning and trespass signs advising of the range operation shall be placed on the perimeter of the property at intervals no greater than fifty (50) feet; Staff Comment: The existing range contains signs that meet the interval criteria. The expansion will need to include new signage at 50-foot intervals. 4. The shooting areas shall be surrounded by an eight-foot-high noise barrier in the form of an earth berm or wall or be located in a minimal eight-foot-deep depression; Staff Comment: The natural hillside provides serves as a noise barrier and is larger than the 8-foot minimum requirement. In addition, the closest residence is approximately 1,500 feet away.”

No warning or trespass signs are visible or have been visible to passers-by in cars or on foot indicating the presence of a nearby shooting range for a significant period.

The area is not secured. The gate into the archery and gun shooting range to the north of Bee Mill Road is often open. Even if the existing gate were closed, locals and tourists who use Bee Mill Road to walk, as is common during summer months, could easily gain access to the shooting range.

The shooting area is not *surrounded* by an eight-foot barrier, as indicated in the 2002 permit. Although the nearest residence is described as 1500 feet away, pedestrians and cars, as well as an unmarked parking lot, are close, with no significant barrier provided.

The hillside and vegetation do not provide sufficient sound barrier to prevent the sound of shooting from reaching the many residences and vacation homes on nearby Pulali Point Road.

How is proper disposal of bullets addressed and enforced?

Below please find documentation of habitat and species in the immediate area of the shooting range.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirie Pedersen

Camp Parsons Arboretum T26N R1W 18-19 WWM2 Habitat & Identified Species:

Camp Parsons/Boy Scouts of America properties near the shooting range include 240 acres of the developed main camp in addition to an additional approximately 185 acres of undeveloped second growth forest designated by signage as an Arboretum.

The Camp Parsons 185 acre Arboretum was last logged in 1933 and includes near-old growth specimens designated by DOE as potential Marbled Murrelets nesting sites, and includes 2400 feet of marine/estuarine Conservancy Shoreline and designated WDFW Priority Habitat on Dabob Bay.

The 2400 feet of Dabob Bay shoreline as well as the waterfront in front of the main camp area include annually documented Pacific Herring spawn of "worldwide significance" (WDFW, DOE and others), significant habitat for breeding Plainfin Midshipmen (UW and others), harbor seal pup haul outs, streams, a year-round spring, and wetlands with associated riparian habitat.

An algal sea grass community provides significant shoreline habitat for salmon fry and 42 other fish species along the east-facing side of Dabob Bay.

Salmon and trout species occur in Spencer and Marple Creeks, opening into Jackson Cove near Camp boundaries. Coho, Winter Steelhead, Coast the resident Coastal Cutthroat are also included in Jefferson County's Watershed Report of 2014. See page 99:

<https://test.co.jefferson.wa.us/weblinkexternal/0/edoc/1399387/Watershed%20Characterization%20Report%20document.pdf?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1>

The 185 acre portion of Camp Parsons beginning at the border of Bee Mill Road and Pulali Point Road, a short distance from the shooting range, is primarily forested with an even age stand of conifers and thick canopy with some open spaces due to tree fall. Isolated occurrences of larger coniferous trees and snags. Dominant species Douglas fir, with frequent occurrence of western hemlock and western red cedar. Red alder and madrone are the dominant non-coniferous species. Understory dominants are salal, Oregon grape, swordfern, red and blue huckleberry, red currant, tall Oregon grape, serviceberry, wild honeysuckle, Pacific rhododendron, ocean spray. [for additional vegetation and species identified in area of Camp Parsons 1946-2022, particularly in wetland areas and in Garry Oak meadow near Pulali Point, see below.]

As the slopes descend toward Jackson Cove and Dabob Bay, vegetation changes toward a more xeric stand of Douglas fir and madrone with fewer occurrences of western red cedar and red alder. The understory is thick and nearly impenetrable. Several large Douglas firs exist near or adjacent to the shoreline. Sitka spruce and Pacific Yew also occur here.

Bald Eagle activity includes communal roost snags, nests, wintering pairs, and breeding pairs.

Marbled Murrelet buffer section: Listed as threatened. Nesting marbled murrelets may occur in this area. Feeding pairs present in the area. Due to their nesting habits, no nests have yet been identified. (Hammer, 1992, Holtrop 1992). (WDFW 2002)

Great Blue Herons: WDFW Priority Species. Numerous year-round.

Peregrine Falcon: Listed as endangered at Federal and State levels. Spring and fall migrant falcons occur in the vicinity (USFWS). Require year-round water source to nest.

Northern Spotted owl management circle (federally listed threatened species, Wa. law endangered species): The area falls within the radius of a spotted owl circle as determined by USFWS. Auditory

identifications by area long-term residents with assistance of the DOE. Visual occurrence documented 1992. Injured juvenal Pulali Point Road 2002.

Northern red-legged frog - candidate as endangered or threatened species: May occur in this area.

Osprey breeding occurrences (state monitor species WDFW)

Marten individual occurrences (Priority species) (WDFW 2002)

Bobcat adult and juvenal, cougar adult and juvenalw, black bear adults and juvenasl, river otter breeding pairs, deer, Roosevelt elk herd, harbor seal haulout (state monitor species)

#### Plant Species:

Creeping bentgrass, Lady fern, Dull Oregon grape, deer fern, slough sedge, Canada thistle, California hazelnut, Catchweed bedstraw, Salal, Common velvetgrass, Oceanspray, Sword fern, Douglas fir, Bracken fern, Cascara, Pacific Rhododendron, Nootka rose, Salmonberry, Blackcap, Pacific wild blackberry, Red elderberry, Western Red Cedar, Western hemlock, Vaccinium ovatum and parviflorum (red and black huckleberry), wild strawberry, Johnny jump-up, orange honeysuckle (*Lonicera ciliosa*), hairy honeysuckle (*Lonicera hispidula*), palmate coltsfoot (*Petasites palmata*), vanilla leaf (*Achlys triphylla*), twinflower (*Linnaea borealis*), bleeding hearts (*Dicentra formosa*), heal-all (*Prunella vulgaris*), fireweed (*Epilobium angustifolium*), pearly everlasting (*Anaphalis margaritacea*), goldenrod (*Solidago canadensis*), trillium (*Trillium ovatum*), red-osier dogwood (*Cornus stolonifera/sericea*), twinberry (*Lonicera involutocrata*), Oregon ash (*Fraxinus latifolia*), Cascara (*Rhamnus purshiana*), beaked hazel (*Corylus cornuta*), false lily-of-the-valley (*Maianthemum dilitatus*), star flowered Solomon's seal (*Smilacina stella*), shield fern (*Dryopteris expansa*), deer fern (*Blechnum spicant*), bracken fern (*Pteridium aquilinum*), youth-on-age (*Tolmeia menziesii*), fringe cup (*Tellima grandiflora*), large-leaved avens (*Geum macophyllum*), Sitka spruce (*Picea sitchensis*), Pacific yew (*Taxus brevifolia*), Timber oatgrass (*Danthonia intermedia*), Yellow monkey-flower (*Mimulus guttatus*).

Wetland and riparian habitat indicator species: creeping bentgrass, red alder, Pacific madrone, Lady fern, Dull Oregon grape, deer fern, slough sedge, Canada thistle, California hazelnut, Catchweed bedstraw, Salal, Common velvetgrass, Oceanspray, Sword fern, Douglas fir, Bracken fern, Cascara, Pacific Rhododendron, Nootka rose, Salmonberry, Blackcap berry, Pacific wild blackberry, Red elderberry, Western Red Cedar, Western hemlock, evergreen huckleberry). (Triple-parameter methodologies for wetland determination, Federal Manual for Identifying for Identifying and Delineating Jurisdictional Wetlands, FICWD, 1989, and Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual, 1987.)

Additional species identified in this area: orange honeysuckle, hairy honeysuckle, palmate coltsfoot, vanilla leaf, twinflower, bleeding hearts, heal-all, fireweed, pearly everlasting, goldenrod, trillium, red-osier dogwood, twinberry, Oregon ash, beaked hazel, false lily of the valley, star-flowered Solomon's seal, shield fern, deer fern, bracken fern, youth-on-age, fringe cup, snowberry, mock orange, and large-leaved avens.

#### Meadow, Wetland, and Grassy Openings:

Garry oak grove and native prairie grasses area above shoreline near Pulali Point also include camas, harvest onion, nodding onion, rice-root, Roemer's fescue, Carex, Columbia lily, paintbrush, knnickenick, Camas, harvest onion (*Brodiaea* spp), nodding onion (*Allium cernuum*), rice-root (*Fritillaria lanceolata*), Roemer's fescue (*Festuca idahoense roemerii*), Carex inops/penylvanica, red Paintbrush (*Castilleja* spp), *Potentilla gracilis*, *Erigeron compositum*, *Eriophyllum lanatum*, S.

5/12/2022

spathulata, Lupinus, Delphinium, Sisyrinchium sps, Deschampsia cespitosa, Columbia brome (Bromus carinata), snowberry (Symphoricarpos alba and S. mollis), tall Oregon grape (Mahonia aquilifolium), serviceberry (Amelanchier alnifolia), mock orange (Philadelphus lewisii), Danthonia, and others.

Other fauna in meadow areas and elsewhere on this acreage include fence lizards, garter snakes, pocket gophers, Western grey squirrel, fishers, and others.

Butterflies: include anglewing, mustard white, Parnassians, Oregon swallowtails, Anise Swallowtails, Lorquin's Admiral, Red admiral, Commas, blues, elfins and others.