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Comment:

This Permit explicitly exempts property owned by any federal agency, like, for example, the United States Corps Of Engineers. One such property in Asotin County, known colloquially as "Swallows Nest Park", is INFESTED with Canadian geese, to the point that it is not possible to walk through said park without stepping in goose feces. Said park borders the Snake River, in the MIDDLE of the Regional Stormwater Utility, and is a POINT SOURCE of e. coli bacteria fed directly into said river. In addition, there is a six-acre island next to said park, also owned by the Corps Of Engineers, which sits IN the waters of the Snake River. Said island is used as an off-leash dog run for the public, and, again, it is not possible to walk across said island without stepping in dog poop. And yet, in spite of the minute detail of the Eastern Washington Draft Stormwater Permit, Washington DOE can do NOTHING to prevent this obvious and very real source of pollution of the waters of the United States. Ecology suggests that this property is the DIRECT responsibility of EPA, yet despite having been notified of this POINT SOURCE pollution many times, EPA has done NOTHING to mitigate this pollution. Given that the EPA, using the Clean Water Act as authority, is the source of the regulations promulgated by Ecology, one notes that Ecology's credibility has been seriously damaged by its failure to get EPA to comply with its own regulations.

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