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**To:** [Tim Brooks](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Bull Run Filtration Project  
**Date:** Monday, July 25, 2022 4:37:42 PM  
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Tim,

I was able to do some more detailed looking at the site, and it appears to be in Impacted Habitat, not in winter range or even year-round range. Impacted areas include areas identified and mapped subject to anthropogenic development such as areas within urban growth boundaries, city limits, otherwise determined to be less suitable habitat for deer or elk because of conflicts with proximity to humans, disease, damage, or public nuisance resulting from use by local or resident deer or elk. Although these areas may support substantial numbers of deer or elk, traditional proactive management actions are often not possible and/or ineffective due to local ordinances and proximity to people. Impacted areas may still provide habitat functions and values for other fish and wildlife species, but habitat categorization should not be based on deer or elk use.

Thanks,

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**From:** Tim Brooks <tim@winterbrookplanning.com>  
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Steve,

Thanks for the phone call today. In our pre-application meeting with Multnomah County for the Bull Run Filtration project, the county requested that we "Please contact Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and verify that the subject site is outside of the Big Game Winter Habitat Area."

Can you confirm that the proposed project is located outside of the Big Game Winter Habitat area defined by ODFW?

As noted, more background on the project is available in the pre-app request located here:

<https://multco-web7-psh-files-usw2.s3-us-west-2.amazonaws.com/s3fs-public/PWB%20Project.pdf>

Thanks for your assistance.

Tim



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