The draft approved mitigation area is the area where stream flow mitigation certificates are available under the first water right put into the Little Spokane Water Bank.

A mitigation certificate allows a new use of water in the Little Spokane Watershed (WRIA 55) that is not subject to restrictions found in WAC 173-555 (Little Spokane River Instream Flow Rule). Building permits issued within the draft approved mitigation area are still subject to well setback requirements.

The draft approved mitigation area will be final upon conclusion of the appeal period of the water right transfer and trust water agreement establishing the approved mitigation area.