## Spokane Plan Commission Agenda

**March 9, 2016**  
**2:00 PM to 5:00 PM**  
**City Council Briefing Center**

### Public Comment Period:

| 3 minutes each | Citizens are invited to address the Plan Commission on any topic not on the agenda |

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### Adjournment:

Next Plan Commission meeting will be on March 23, 2016

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(WAC 197-11-970) Section 11.10.230(3) Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

File No. N/A

DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

Description of Proposal: Amendment to Spokane Municipal Code Sections 17A.020, 17E.010 and 17G.010.150 all related to Critical Materials Storage and Handling.

Proponent: City of Spokane, Environmental Programs

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Within the City of Spokane

Lead agency: City of Spokane, Environmental Programs Department

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed Environmental Checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[ ] There is no comment period for this DNS.

[ ] This DNS is issued after using the optional DNS process in Section 197-11-355 WAC. There is no further comment period on the DNS.

[ X ] This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted by March 17, 2016.

Responsible official: Lloyd Brewer

Position/Title: Environmental Programs Manager Phone: (509) 625-6968

Address: 2nd Floor, City Hall, 808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd., Spokane, WA 99201-3343

Date: March 3, 2016 Signature: [Signature]

You may appeal this determination to Lloyd Brewer, Environmental Programs Manager

at (location): 2nd Floor, City Hall, Spokane, WA 99201-3343

no later than (date): March 17, 2016

by (method): written

You should be prepared to make specific factual objections.

Contact John Halsey at (509) 625-6300 to read or ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals.
DISTRIBUTION LIST FOR COMMENTS

PROJECT NAME: Amendment to Spokane Municipal Code Sections 17A.020, 17E.010, and 17G.010.150 all related to Critical Materials Storage and Handling

FILE No.: N/A

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- Building Department, Attn: John Halsey
- City Attorney, Attn: James Richman
- City Treasurer: Megan Qureshi
- Code Enforcement, Attn: Heather Trautman
- Construction Management, Attn: Ken Brown
- Engineering Services, Attn: Dan Buller
- Fire Dept., Attn: Dave Kokot
- GIS, Attn: Steven Allenton
- Historic Preservation, Attn: Megan Duval
- Integrated Capital Management, Attn: Marcia Davis
- Integrated Capital Management, Attn: Katherine Miller
- Library Services, Attn: Dana Dalrymple
- Neighborhood Services, Attn: Jonathan Mallahan & ONS Team
- Parks Dept., Attn: Tony Madunich
- PCED, Attn: Theresa Sanders
- Planning & Development, Attn: Kris Becker
- Planning & Development, Attn: Eldon Brown
- Planning & Development, Attn: Patty Kells
- Planning & Development, Attn: Lisa Key
- Planning & Development, Attn: Julie Neff
- Planning & Development, Attn: Mike Nilsson
- Planning & Development, Attn: Tami Palmquist
- Police Department, Attn: Sgt Chuck Reisenauer
- Public Works, Attn: Katherine Miller
- Solid Waste, Attn: Scott Windsor
- Solid Waste, Attn: Rick Hughes
- Street Operations, Attn: Inga Note
- Wastewater Management, Attn: Mike Morris
- Wastewater Management, Attn: William Peacock
- Wastewater AWWTP, Attn: Mike Costner
- Water Department, Attn: Dan Kegley
- Water Department, Attn: Jim Sakamoto

County Departments

- Spokane County Public Works, Attn: Scott Engelhard
- Spokane County Planning Department, Attn: John Pederson
- Spokane County Engineering Dept., Attn: Gary Nyberg
- Spokane Regional Health District, Attn: Ray Byrne
- Spokane Regional Health District, Attn: Eric Meyer
- SRCAA, Attn: April Westby

Washington State Agencies

- Department of Natural Resources, Attn: Jacob McCann
- Department of Natural Resources, Attn: SEPA Center
- Department of Commerce, Attn: Dee Caputo
- Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation, Attn: Gretchen Kaehler
- Department of Ecology, Attn: Environmental Review Section
- Department of Ecology, Eastern Region, Attn: Jeremy Sikes, Shoreline Permit Reviewer
- Department of Ecology, Eastern Region, Attn: David Moore, Wetlands/Shoreline
- Department of Transportation, Attn: Char Kay
- Department of Transportation, Attn: Greg Figg
- Department of Fish & Wildlife, Attn: Karin Divenas - Habitat Program

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- Cheney School District Operations, Attn: Jeff McClure
- City of Spokane Valley Planning, Attn: Lori Barlow
- City of Spokane Valley Planning, Attn: Mike Basinger
- District 81 Capital Projects, Attn: Candy Johnson
- Spokane Aquifer Joint Board, Attn: Erin Casci
- Spokane Aquifer Joint Board, Attn: Tonilee Hanson
- Spokane Transit Authority, Attn: Gordon Howell
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ENVIRONMENTAL

CHECKLIST

SPOKANE
ENVIRONMENTAL
ORDINANCE

SECTION 11.10.230(1)
SPokane EnviRonmental Ordinance

(WAC 197-11-960) Section 11.10.230(1)

Environmental Checklist

Purpose of Checklist:

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) chapter 43.21C RCW, requires all governmental agencies to consider the environmental impacts of a proposal before making decisions. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) must be prepared for all proposals with probable significant adverse impacts on the quality of the environment. The purpose of this checklist is to provide information to help you and the agency identify impacts from your proposal (and to reduce or avoid impacts from the proposal, if it can be done) and to help the agency decide whether an EIS is required.

Instructions for Applicants:

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Governmental agencies use this checklist to determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant, requiring preparation of an EIS. Answer the questions briefly, with the most precise information known, or give the best description you can.

You must answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. In most cases, you should be able to answer the questions from your own observations or project plans without the need to hire experts. If you really do not know the answer, or if a question does not apply to your proposal, write "do not know" or "does not apply." Complete answers to the questions now may avoid unnecessary delays later.

Some questions ask about governmental regulations, such as zoning, shoreline, and landmark designations. Answer these questions if you can. If you have problems, the governmental agencies can assist you.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Use of checklist for nonproject proposals:

Complete this checklist for nonproject proposals, even though questions may be answered "does not apply". In addition, complete the Supplemental Sheet for Nonproject Actions (Part D).

For nonproject actions, the references in the checklist to the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal", " proposer", and "affected geographic area", respectively.
A. BACKGROUND

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

Amendment to Spokane Municipal Code Sections 17A.020, 17E.010, & 17G.010.150 all related to Critical Materials Storage & Handling

2. Name of Applicant: City of Spokane

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

Lloyd Brewer, Environmental Programs Manager
808 W. Spokane Falls Blvd.
Spokane, WA 99201-3334
509-625-6570
lbrewer@spokanecity.org

4. Date checklist prepared: March 1, 2016

5. Agency requesting checklist:

City of Spokane, Washington;

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

The intent is to make these changes this spring, as they will clarify and facilitate Critical Materials storage & handling regulation.

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.

The description of the area where the regulation applies (boundary) needs to be clarified but significant inter-agency and inter-departmental communication needs to occur beforehand. I anticipate this can be addressed in about a year. Original grandfathering language needs to be removed. It was originally planned to be addressed in 1987. Some time and effort will be needed to determine the impact of grandfathering removal. Our intent is to have this change ready to move forward at the same time as the boundary issue.

Finally, the City’s Water System Plan mentions proposed regulated special wellhead protection zones. If and when such regulations become law it is anticipated they would make up a new Article V in SMC section 17E.
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8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

*No new environmental information was prepared. The Critical Materials List (2010) and Critical Materials Handbook (2009) were previously existing.*

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.

*Nearly, if not all pending applications in the City of Spokane are within the affected geographic area of our proposal. However, we are not aware of any other current proposals or actions addressing these sections of the municipal code.*

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

*This proposal will require:
A) Plan Commission hearing & approval
B) City Council Approval*

11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page.

*The proposal (attached) is to amend sections of SMC 17A.020 (definitions), 17E Articles 1 through 4 (Critical Materials Handling & Storage including General Provisions, Implementation, USTs, and ASTs), and 17G.010.150 (Special Application Requirements for Commercial Building Permits). The intent of these changes is to make the code easier to understand, and remove duplicative requirements that exist between the City critical materials code and the Fire Code. Other objectives are to codify the potential use of the Wastewater system to help contain critical materials and fire flow, and to codify Fire Department discretion in implementation particularly as it relates to requiring turning in of critical materials lists.*

*One definition is added and two are amended. The majority of changes are proposed in 17E.010, including the repeal of six sections: SMC 17E.010.250, 310, 330, 450, 500, and 520. A single change was made in section 17G.010.150 making it clear that a list of critical materials anticipated to be used is not always required.*
12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information to a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit application related to this checklist.

*The proposed code changes apply within the City of Spokane.*

13. Does the proposed action lie within the Aquifer Sensitive Area (ASA)? The General Sewer Service Area? The Priority Sewer Service Area? The City of Spokane? (See: Spokane County’s ASA Overlay Zone Atlas for boundaries).

ASA; GSSA; PSSA; City of Spokane.

14. The following questions supplement Part A.

a. Critical Aquifer Recharge Area (CARA) / Aquifer Sensitive Area (ASA)

(1) Describe any systems, other than those designed for the disposal of sanitary waste, installed for the purpose of discharging fluids below the ground surface (includes systems such as those for the disposal of stormwater or drainage from floor drains). Describe the type of system, the amount of material to be disposed of through the system and the types of material likely to be disposed of (including materials which may enter the system inadvertently through spills or as a result of firefighting activities).

N/A

(2) Will any chemicals (especially organic solvents or petroleum fuels) be stored in aboveground or underground storage tanks? If so, what types and quantities of material will be stored?

N/A

(3) What protective measures will be taken to insure that leaks or spills of any chemicals stored or used on site will not be allowed to percolate to groundwater? This includes measures to keep chemicals out of disposal systems.

N/A
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(4) Will any chemicals be stored, handled or used on the site in a location where a spill or leak will drain to surface or groundwater or to a stormwater disposal system discharging to surface or groundwater?

N/A

b. Stormwater

(1) What are the depths on the site to groundwater and to bedrock (if known)?

N/A

(2) Will stormwater be discharged into the ground? If so, describe any potential impacts.

N/A

B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

1. Earth

   a. General description of the site (check one):

   □ Flat  □ Rolling  □ Hilly  □ Steep slopes  □ Mountainous

   N/A

   Other:

   b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?

   N/A

   c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils.

   N/A

   d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

   N/A
e. Describe the purpose, type, and approximate quantities of any filling or grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.

N/A

f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.

N/A

g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?

N/A

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:

N/A

2. AIR

a. What type of emissions to the air would result from the proposal (i.e., dust, automobile, odors industrial, wood smoke) during construction and when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.

N/A

b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.

N/A

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:

N/A
3. WATER

a. Surface:

(1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lake, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.

N/A

(2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans.

N/A

(3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from the surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material.

N/A

(4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

N/A

(5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year flood plain? If so, note location on the site plan.

N/A

(6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.

N/A
b. Ground:
   
   (1) Will ground water be withdrawn, or will water be discharged to ground water? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

   N/A

   (2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals...; agricultural; etc.) Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable) or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.

   N/A

c. Water Runoff (including storm water):

   (1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.

   N/A

   (2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

   N/A

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water impacts, if any (if the proposed action lies within the Aquifer Sensitive Area be especially clear on explanations relating to facilities concerning Sections 3b(4), 3b(5), and 3c(2) of this checklist).

   N/A
4. PLANTS

a. Check or circle type of vegetation found on the site:  
   _______ deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other.  
   _______ evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other.  
   _______ shrubs.  
   _______ grass.  
   _______ pasture.  
   _______ crop or grain.  
   _______ Orchards, vineyards, or other permanent crops  
   _______ wet soil plants, cattail, buttercup, bulrush, skunk cabbage, other.  
   _______ water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other.  
   _______ other types of vegetation.  

b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?  
   N/A  

c. List threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site.  
   N/A  

d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any:  
   N/A  

e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.  
   N/A  

5. ANIMALS

a. Circle and list any birds and animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site:  
   N/A  

Birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds  
Other  

Mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver  
Other  

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b. List any threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site.

N/A

c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.

*The Spokane Region is part of the North American Pacific Flyway migration route. This proposal will not have an impact on this route.*

d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any:

N/A

6. ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES

a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project’s energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.

N/A

b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.

N/A

c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any:

N/A
7. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so, describe.

N/A

(1) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

N/A

(2) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

N/A

b. Noise:

(1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other?

N/A

(2) What type and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site.

N/A

(3) Proposed measure to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

N/A

8. LAND AND SHORELINE USE

a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties?

N/A
b. Has the site been used for agriculture? If so, describe.
   N/A

c. Describe any structures on the site.
   N/A

d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, which?
   N/A

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?
   N/A

f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?
   N/A

g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the Site?
   N/A

h. Has any part of the site been classified as an "environmentally sensitive" area? If so, specify.
   N/A

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?
   N/A

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?
   N/A

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:
   N/A
1. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:

N/A

9. HOUSING

a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

N/A

b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

N/A

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:

N/A

10. AESTHETICS

a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?

N/A

b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?

N/A

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:

N/A

11. LIGHT AND GLARE

a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?

N/A
b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?

N/A

c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?

N/A

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:

N/A

12. RECREATION

a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

N/A

b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.

N/A

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

N/A

13. HISTORIC AND CULTURAL PRESERVATION

a. Are there any places or objects listed on, or proposed for national, state, or local preservation registers known to be on or next to the site? If so, generally describe.

N/A
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(WAC 197-11-960) Section 11.10.230(i)

b. Generally describe any landmarks or evidence of historic archaeological, scientific or cultural importance known to be on or next to the site.

N/A

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts, if any:

N/A

14. Transportation

a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site, and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.

N/A

b. Is the site currently served by public transit? If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?

N/A

c. How many parking spaces would the completed project have? How many would the project eliminate?

N/A

d. Will the proposal require any new roads or streets, or improvements to existing road and/or streets not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).

N/A

e. Will the project use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.

N/A
f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project? If known, indicate when peak would occur.

   N/A

g. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

   N/A

15. PUBLIC SERVICES

a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: Fire protection, police protection, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.

   N/A

b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any:

   N/A

16. UTILITIES

a. Circle utilities currently available at the site:

   electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer

   Other ________________________________

   N/A

b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

   N/A
D. SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTIONS
(Do not use this sheet for project actions)

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?
   The proposal would potentially reduce the frequency of requests for lists of critical materials planned to be used at a location. It also provides for the potential use of the wastewater collection system as a part of a building’s critical materials plus fire-flow containment. These each have the potential of resulting in a release to the environment which might otherwise have been avoided.

   Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

   The City’s Critical Review Officials and Wastewater collection and treatment staff are experienced and it is believed the proposed amendments will result in nearly identical control of materials while significantly limiting backlash to the program from project proponents who have expressed concerns about obligations placed on them and timeliness of City response.

   The proposal clarifies the existing critical materials containment code which will result in more efficient and consistent implementation.

2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish or marine life?
   Double containment of critical materials will continue. No significant change is anticipated.

   Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish or marine life are:
   No additional protections proposed.
3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?

   Containment takes energy and resources particularly when first implemented.

   Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:

   No new measures are proposed just the continued double containment of critical materials. Far more energy and resources would have to be expended if the material was not contained and then had to be cleaned up. In addition, containment avoids the energy and natural resource impacts that result from environmental impacts and health impacts of critical materials releases.

4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection, such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, flood plains or prime farmlands?

   One primary purpose of this proposal, and of the code it would amend, is to protect the Spokane Valley Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer from critical materials contamination.

   Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:

   Nothing new proposed, just continued double containment of critical materials.

5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?

   The proposal does not significantly change existing regulation, and we are not amending the Shoreline Management Plan(SMP). The SMP says CARA regulations are incorporated “as now constituted or hereafter amended”.

   Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:

   No added measures. The existing rules call for the most stringent of the protections when shoreline and critical areas regulations overlap.
6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?

*No change in impact.*

Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:

*No added measures.*

7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

*It is our intent and belief that the proposed changes are not in conflict with local, state or federal laws. While CARA regulations are incorporated in the Shoreline Management Plan they are done so with the language "as now constituted or hereafter amended", so a Shoreline Management Plan amendment is not required.*
(WAC 197-11-960) Section 11.10.230(i)

C. SIGNATURE

I, the undersigned, swear under the penalty of perjury that the above responses are made truthfully and to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that, should there be any willful misrepresentation or willful lack of full disclosure on my part, the agency may withdraw any determination of nonsignificance that it might issue in reliance upon this checklist.

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Signature: 

Based on this staff review of the environmental checklist and other pertinent information, the staff:

A. \( \checkmark \) Concludes that there are no probable significant adverse impacts and recommends a determination of nonsignificance.

B. \____\ Concludes that probable significant adverse environmental impacts do exist for the current proposal and recommends a mitigated determination of nonsignificance with conditions.

C. \____\ Concludes that there are probable significant adverse environmental impacts and recommends a determination of significance.