

**SPOKANE ENVIRONMENTAL ORDINANCE**

(WAC 197-11-970)

Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS)

**NONPROJECT DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE**

**FILE NO(S): Update to the City of Spokane, SMC Title 17E, Chapter 17E.070 Wetlands Protection**

**PROPONENT:** City of Spokane Planning Services Department

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:** The proposal is to update the Critical Areas regulations for Wetland Protection Areas and associated buffers within the City. Revisions were made to ensure consistency with State Department of Ecology regulations and standards, per WAC 173-22-035; and in conjunction with the City's required periodic update of the Comprehensive Plan per RCW 36.70A and WAC 365-196-610. The specific action proposed at this time is amending the Spokane Municipal Code, Title 17E, Chapter 17E.070 Wetlands Protection.

**LOCATION OF PROPOSAL, INCLUDING STREET ADDRESS, IF ANY:** The City of Spokane is located in Spokane County, Washington State. The Wetlands Update applies to all wetlands within the City's corporate boundary.

**LEAD AGENCY:** City of Spokane Planning & Development

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that this proposal 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.
- This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for At least 14 days from the date of issuance (below). Comments regarding this DNS must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m., March 7, 2017, if they are intended to alter the DNS.

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**Responsible Official:** Lisa Key

**Position/Title:** Planning Services Director      **Phone:** (509) 625-6300

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**Date Issued:** February 21, 2017      **Signature:** 

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**APPEAL OF THIS DETERMINATION**, after it becomes final, may be made to the City of Spokane Hearing Examiner, 808 West Spokane Falls Blvd., Spokane, WA 99201. The appeal deadline is fourteen (14) calendar days after the signing of the DNS. This appeal must be on forms provided by the Responsible Official, make specific factual objections and be accompanied by the appeal fee. Contact the Responsible Official for assistance with the specifics of a SEPA appeal.

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