



KITSAP COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of Proposal: **Adoption by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) of Revised County Wide Planning Policies, as required by the Growth Management Act. The policies are used by Kitsap County and Kitsap County cities in development of their comprehensive plans, as developed cooperatively through the Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council.**

Proponent: Kitsap County

Lead Agency: KITSAP COUNTY

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: and covers the geographic jurisdiction of Kitsap County and the cities of Bainbridge Island, Bremerton, Port Orchard and Poulsbo.

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.

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: August 5, 2011.

COMMENTS:

The proposed BOCC adoption of revised County Wide Planning Policies (CPP) is a county-wide programmatic action, revising the current CPP, last amended by Kitsap County Ordinance on November 19, 2007. The proposed revisions have been developed through the Kitsap Regional Coordinating Council (KRCC) and are consistent with the Puget Sound Regional Council policies. The amendments include additional policies regarding air and water quality issues, healthy communities and transportation, and change existing policies regarding Fully Contained Communities. The amendments do not include any change in population allocations, and non-project actions relating to process, and create no substantial changes to the range and magnitude of alternatives analyzed in prior actions, and therefore no impacts are anticipated.

Responsible Official / Contact Person: Steve Heacock

Position/Title: SEPA Administrator, Dept. of Community Dev. Phone: (360) 337-5777

Address: 614 Division Street., MS-36, Port Orchard, WA 98366

DATE: July 22, 2011 Signature: _____

You may appeal this determination to the Dept. of Community Development, at 619 Division Street, MS-36, Port Orchard WA 98366, no later than August 5, 2011 in writing, with a \$500.00 appeal fee.

You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Contact Steve Heacock to read or ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals.

Received by: _____

Receipt #: _____

ENVIRONMENTAL (SEPA) CHECKLIST

A. Background

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

County Wide Planning Policies

2. Name of applicant:

Kitsap County

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

Kitsap County
Attn: Larry M. Keeton, Director, Community Development
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Port Orchard, WA, 98366

4. Date checklist prepared:

July 13, 2011

5. Agency requesting checklist:

Kitsap County

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

Proposed adoption by August 22, 2011

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

No.

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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.

None

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.

No, none known.

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

Adoption by the Kitsap County Board of Commissioners.

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. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)

The proposed action is adoption of revised County Wide Planning Policies required under the Growth Management Act. The Policies are used by the County and Kitsap County cities in the development of their comprehensive plans.

1. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for 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 applications related to this checklist.

The proposed action covers the geographical jurisdiction of Kitsap County and the Cities of Bainbridge, Bremerton, Port Orchard, and Poulsbo.

B. Environmental Elements

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1. Earth

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

- flat rolling hilly
 steep slopes mountainous other _____

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

Not applicables.

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 prime farmland.

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable. .

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

Not applicable. .

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

Element D (Rural Land Uses and Development Patterns) adopts policies focused on recognition of ecological functions and rural resource and land use functions. Element E (Countywide Strategies for Open Space Preservation, Resource Preservation, Critical Areas, Air Quality, Water Quality/Quantity) promotes policies that protect a wide range of environmental activities.

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2. Air

- a. What types 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.**

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

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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, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.**

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

- 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.**

Not applicable.

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.**

Not applicable.

- 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.**

Not applicable.

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.**

Not applicable.

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

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Not applicable.

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water impacts, if any:

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4. Plants

a. Check types of vegetation found on the site:

deciduous trees: alder maple
 aspen other _____

evergreen trees: fir cedar
 pine other _____

shrubs
 grass
 pasture
 crop or grain

wet soil plants: cattail buttercup
 bullrush 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?

Not applicable.

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

Salmon in adjacent Puget Sound and Bald Eagles. Project is programmatic in nature.

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- d. **Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any.**

Not applicable.

5. Animals

- a. **Check box for any birds and animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site:**

Birds: hawk heron eagle
 songbirds other _____

Mammals: deer bear elk
 beaver other _____

Fish: bass salmon trout shellfish
 Herring other _____

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

Salmon in adjacent Puget Sound and Bald Eagles. Project is programmatic in nature, information will be determined on a site-specific basis.

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

The area provides connectedness of forested areas for wildlife movement. Project is programmatic in nature, information will be determined on a site-specific basis

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

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6. Energy and Natural Resources

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

All types of energy sources are allowed .

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

Element F (Contiguous, Compatible, and Orderly Development) encourages the development of solar, wind and other renewable engery generation techniques appropriate to serve the communtiy.

- 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.**

Not applicable.

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.**

Not applicable.

- 1) **Describe special emergency services that might be required.**

Not applicable.

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

Individual developments will be subject to Health District and appropriate jurisdictional review.

- b. **Noise**

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

Not applicable.

- 2) **What types 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.**

Not applicable.

- 3) **Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:**

Not applicable.

8. Land and Shoreline Use

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

Not applicable.

- b. **Has the site been used for agriculture? If so, describe.**

Not applicable.

- c. **Describe any structures on the site.**

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Not applicable.

e. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?

Not applicable. Redevelopment is expected to occur within the county and city jurisdictions.

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Population projections range from 250,000 to 300,000.

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

None. Project is programmatic in nature.

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:

Not applicable. Project is programmatic in nature.

l. Proposed measures to ensure that the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:

Element D (Rural Land Uses and Development Patterns) adopts policies focused on recognition of ecological functions and rural resource and land use functions. Element F (Contiguous, Compatible, and Orderly Development) establish policies that call for inter-regional coordination of land use, transportation, environmental and infrastructure planning as well as establishes strategies for community design and development..

9. Housing

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Element I (Housing) establishes policies to promote a variety of housing types within the geographical boundaries of the county consistent.

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?**

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

11. Light and Glare

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

Not applicable.

- b. **Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?**

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

12. Recreation

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

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Not applicable.

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

No.

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

Element E (Countywide Strategies for Open Space Preservation, Resource Preservation, Critical Areas, Air Quality, and Water Quality/Quantity) promote policies to for inter-jurisdictional planning for recreation and open space preservation.

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.**

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Element D (Rural Land Uses and Development Patterns), Element E (Countywide Strategies for Open Space Preservation, Resource Preservation, Critical Areas, Air Quality, and Water Quality/Quantity) , and Element F ((Contiguous, Compatible, and Orderly Development) provide policies to promote cultural and historical preservation.

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.**

Not applicable.

- b. Is site currently served by public transit? If no, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?**

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable.

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

Not applicable. However, the Element H (Transportation) establishes policies for the future of the county's geographical road and multimodal transportation networks.

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

Not applicable.

- f. **How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur.**

Not applicable.

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

Element H (Transportation) is the primary element focused on policies to direct transportation and transit planning within the county's geographical boundaries.

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.**

Not applicable. .

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

Element G (Siting Public Capital Facilities) establishes the policies to site, control/reduce impacts as necessary.

16. Utilities

Check utilities currently available at the site:

- X electricity X natural gas X water
- X refuse service X telephone X sanitary sewer
- X septic system other _____

C. Signature

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature: _____

Date Submitted: _____

ENVIRONMENTAL (SEPA) CHECKLIST

County Wide Planning Policies

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

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D. Supplemental Sheet for Non-project Actions

- 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?**

Element E (Countywide Strategies for Open Space Preservation, Resource Preservation, Critical Areas, Air Quality, Water Quality/Quantity) policies are designed to continue requiring/encouraging the reduction of discharges to water, emissions to air, production, storage or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise. Often, the focus of these policies are restarted in other Elements.

- 2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?**

Policies are designed to enhance appropriate protections of the natural environment.

Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:

Elements D (Rural Land Uses and Development Patterns), Element E (Countywide Strategies for Open Space Preservation, Resource Preservation, Critical Areas, Air Quality, Water Quality/Quantity), Element F (Contiguous, Comparable, and Orderly Development) and others promote/require policies that protect or conserve a whole range of environmental concerns.

- 3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?**

Not anticipated to further deplete energy or natural resources.

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

Elements D (Rural Land Uses and Development Patterns), Element E (Countywide Strategies for Open Space Preservation, Resource Preservation, Critical Areas, Air Quality, Water Quality/Quantity), Element F (Contiguous, Comparable, and Orderly Development) and others promote/require policies that protect or conserve a whole range of environmental concerns as well as promote use of new energy technologies.

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- 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, floodplains, or prime farmland?**

Elements D (Rural Land Uses and Development Patterns), Element E (Countywide Strategies for Open Space Preservation, Resource Preservation, Critical Areas, Air Quality, Water Quality/Quantity), Element F (Contiguous, Comparable, and Orderly Development) and others promote/require policies that protect or conserve a whole range of environmental, recreational, historic, and cultural concerns.

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

Elements D (Rural Land Uses and Development Patterns), Element E (Countywide Strategies for Open Space Preservation, Resource Preservation, Critical Areas, Air Quality, Water Quality/Quantity), Element F (Contiguous, Comparable, and Orderly Development) and others promote/require policies that protect or conserve a whole range of environmental concerns.

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

Policies establish the framework for development of jurisdictional comprehensive and shoreline master plans to be consistent with state law and local needs/character.

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

Policies establish the framework for development of jurisdictional comprehensive and shoreline master plans to be consistent with state law and local needs/character.

6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?

Element H (Transportation), Element F (Contiguous, Compatible, and Orderly Development), and Element G (Siting Public Capital Facilities) establish policies to govern jurisdictional plan development to accommodate transportation, public services, and utilities. Not anticipated to increase demands on transportation, public service or utilities.

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

Policies require inter-jurisdictional coordination among other actions.

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

Not anticipated to conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

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