

Public Works
Transportation & Environmental Services

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Dave Somers
County Executive

RE: Maple Road and Ash Way Intersection and Drainage Improvements

Dear Reviewer:

Snohomish County and the City of Lynnwood are working together to address flooding in the vicinity of the Maple Road and Ash Way intersection in south Snohomish County. Frequent flooding of this intersection forces multiple road closures per year, negatively impacting access into and out of Lynnwood and emergency vehicle response times.

The proposed project would raise the elevation of the intersection and increase the capacity of the drainage system. The intersection would be raised up to five feet using a combination of pin piles, pile caps, and grade beams. In addition to raising the road, it is also necessary to increase the capacity of the drainage system to reduce upstream flooding. The project will realign short sections of Tunnel Creek and Maple 525 Creek and direct the water to Dogwood Creek. This will require constructing new swales, two new culverts and an 850-foot section of new stream channel.

This project is scheduled for construction in 2017.

This letter is to let you know about this upcoming project and that an environmental review of the project has been completed. An Environmental Checklist and Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) have been issued. The DNS states that no significant environmental impacts are anticipated from construction of this project.

Copies of the Environmental Checklist are available during normal business hours from Snohomish County Public Works at the address below or visit our website at www.snoco.org and search: http://snohomishcountywa.gov/3677. Written comments on this project must be submitted by August 8, 2016 to: Mary Auld, Snohomish County Public Works, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Everett, WA 98201 or by email: mary.auld@co.snoco.org or call: 425-388-3488, extension 4510 for more information.

Sincerely,

Mary Auld, Senior Environmental Planner

Transportation and Environmental Services – Environmental Services Section



Snohomish County Public Works

PUBLIC NOTICE

Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) and Land Disturbing Activity (LDA) Permit

PROJECT NAME: Maple Road and Ash Way Intersection and Drainage Improvements

PROJECT NUMBER: RR48820

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: Snohomish County and the City of Lynnwood are working together to address flooding in the vicinity of the intersection of Maple Road and Ash Way. Frequent flooding of this intersection forces multiple road closures per year, negatively impacting access into and out of Lynnwood and emergency vehicle response times.

Snohomish County and the City of Lynnwood propose to raise the elevation of the intersection and increase the capacity of the drainage system. Approximately 600 feet of Ash Way and 700 feet of Maple Road would be raised from 0 feet to approximately 5 feet above the current elevation using a combination of pin piles, pile caps, and grade beams. A structural slab would be used to reconstruct the roadway. Pin piles would be driven 37 to 42 feet below the ground surface through the peat soils to a stable glacial till layer. The elevation of the new intersection will be a minimum of six inches above the existing 25-year flood elevation of Swamp Creek.

In addition to raising the road, it is also necessary to increase the capacity of the drainage system to reduce upstream flooding. The project will realign short sections of Tunnel Creek and Maple 525 Creek to bypass the WSDOT stormwater facility and direct the water to Dogwood Creek instead. This will require constructing new swales, two new culverts and an 850-foot section of new stream channel.

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL: The Maple Road/Ash Way Intersection and Drainage Improvement project is located in southwest Snohomish County, Washington. The project area is northwest of the intersection of Interstate 5 and Interstate 405 in Sections 10, 11, and 14, Township 27 N, and Range 4 E.

The project site extends approximately 350 feet north and 250 feet on south on Ash Way and approximately 200 feet west and 500 feet east on Maple Road. Maple Road and Ash Way are currently two-way, two-lane roads.

APPLICANT AND LEAD AGENCY: Snohomish County Public Works

LAND DISTURBING ACTIVITY (LDA) PERMIT: This project will require an LDA permit. The fill area is approximately 82,000 square feet or 1.9 acres. The approximate

fill quantities include: Gravel borrow = 6,120 tons; Gravel backfill for walls = 65 cubic yards; Estimated cut to excavate stream channel = 400 cubic yards

The total affected project area is approximately 2.09 acres. Fill material will be from an approved source as supplied by the contractor. All structural fill would be placed in accordance with Washington State Department of Transportation standards.

THRESHOLD DETERMINATION: 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 upon request.

The lead agency has determined that the requirements for environmental analysis, protection, and mitigation measures have been adequately addressed in the county's development regulations and comprehensive plan adopted under chapter 36.70A RCW, and in other applicable local, state, or federals laws and rules, as provided by RCW 43.21C.240 and WAC 197-11-158. Our agency will not require any additional mitigation measures under chapter 30.61 SCC.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: This DNS and LDA are subject to a 21-day public and agency comment period. Written comments may be submitted by mail or e-mail to the lead agency's contact person. See name and address below. Comments must be received by 5 p.m., **August 8, 2016**.

APPEALS: There is no opportunity for appeal at this time. Pursuant to SCC 30.61.300(3), SEPA appeals related to a land disturbing activity permit, which is a Type 1 decision, shall be submitted to the Hearing Examiner together with appeal of the underlying permit.

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RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL:

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Snohomish County Public Works

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Signature: .

Date: June 30, 2016

DISCLAIMER:

The determination that an environmental impact statement does not have to be filed does not mean there will be no adverse environmental impacts. Snohomish County codes governing noise control, land use performance standards, construction and

improvement of county roads, drainage control, building practices will provide substantial mitigation of the aforementioned impacts.

The issuance of this Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) should not be interpreted as acceptance or approval of this proposal as presented. Snohomish County reserves the right to deny or approve said proposal subject to conditions if it is determined to be in the best interest of the County and/or necessary to the general health, safety, and welfare of the public to do so.

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