



STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (SEPA) DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

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PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT NAME: Stormwater Technical Notebook

SEPA FILE NUMBER: SEPA-2016-01836

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

2016 Stormwater Technical Update to meet state mandates.

PROJECT LOCATION: city wide

SITE ADDRESS:

APPLICANT: Steve Hitch

LEAD AGENCY: City of Redmond

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the requirements of environmental analysis, protection, and mitigation measures have been adequately addressed through the City's regulations and Comprehensive Plan together with applicable State and Federal laws.

Additionally, the lead agency has determined that the proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment as described under SEPA.

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.**

CITY CONTACT INFORMATION

PROJECT PLANNER NAME: Cathy Beam

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IMPORTANT DATES

COMMENT PERIOD

Depending upon the proposal, a comment period may not be required. An "**X**" is placed next to the applicable comment period provision.

There is no comment period for this DNS. Please see below for appeal provisions.

'X' This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2), and the lead agency will not make a decision on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments can be submitted to the Project Planner, via phone, fax (425)556-2400, email or in person at the Development Services Center located at 15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond, WA 98052. **Comments must be submitted by 11/02/2016.**

APPEAL PERIOD

You may appeal this determination to the City of Redmond Office of the City Clerk, Redmond City Hall, 15670 NE 85th Street, P.O. Box 97010, Redmond, WA 98073-9710, **no later than 5:00 p.m. on 11/17/2016**, by submitting a completed City of Redmond Appeal Application Form available on the City's website at www.redmond.gov or at City Hall. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections.

DATE OF DNS ISSUANCE: October 19, 2016

For more information about the project or SEPA procedures, please contact the project planner.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: Robert G. Odle
Planning Director

SIGNATURE: _____

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: Linda E. De Boldt
Public Works Director

SIGNATURE: _____

Address: 15670 NE 85th Street Redmond, WA 98052

CITY OF REDMOND

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

NON-PROJECT ACTION

(Revised 5/27/15)

Purpose of the 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 City of Redmond 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" and indicate the reason why the question "does not apply". It is not adequate to submit responses such as "N/A" or "does not apply"; without providing a reason why the specific section does not relate or cause an impact. Complete answers to the questions now may avoid unnecessary delays later. If you need more space to write answers attach them and reference the question number.

Some questions ask about governmental regulations, such as zoning, shoreline, and landmark designations. Answer these questions if you can. If you have problems, the City 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 help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. When you submit this checklist the City may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Planner Name: CBeam

Date of Review: 10/12/16

To Be Completed By Applicant	Evaluation for Agency Use Only
<p>A. BACKGROUND</p> <p>1. Name of proposed project, if applicable: 2016 Stormwater Technical Notebook (STN) Update</p> <p>2. Name of applicant: Steve Hitch</p> <p>3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person: 425-556-2891</p> <p>4. Date checklist prepared: 10/05/2016</p> <p>5. Agency requesting checklist: City of Redmond</p> <p>6. Give an accurate, brief description of the proposal's scope and nature:</p> <p>i. Acreage of the site: <u>NA</u></p> <p>ii. Number of dwelling units/ buildings to be constructed: <u>NA</u></p> <p>iii. Square footage of dwelling units/ buildings being added: <u>NA</u></p> <p>iv. Square footage of pavement being added: <u>NA</u></p> <p>v. Use or principal activity: <u>Na</u></p> <p>vi. Other information: <u>None</u></p>	<p>CB</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB- 2NPW, PO Box 97010, Redmond, WA 98073</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB - Proposal is city-wide</p>

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<p>7. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):</p> <p>Changes to the STN must occur by December 31, 2016 in order to comply with the Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit (aka the NPDES permit.) Anticipated date for administrative adoption of the STN is 12/07/2016.</p>	<p>CB</p>
<p>8. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If yes, explain.</p> <p>This question does not apply to this proposed action.</p>	<p>CB - Zoning Code and Municipal Code being updated under separate tracts to address the NPDES requirements.</p>
<p>9. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared or will be prepared directly related to this proposal.</p> <p>There is a lengthy canon of literature detailing the need for proper stormwater management to protect the environment. No environmental information has been prepared or will be prepared that relates directly to this proposal because it is a non-project action and necessary to ensure the City complies with the Federal Cleanwater Act.</p>	<p>CB</p>
<p>10. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If yes, explain.</p>	<p>CB - Zoning Code and Municipal Code being updated under separate tracts to address the NPDES requirements.</p>

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<p>11. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.</p> <p>STN is administratively adopted by the City of Redmond Technical Committee.</p>	<p>CB</p>
<p>12. 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.</p> <p>The City of Redmond is required by the Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit (the NPDES permit) to adopt design, construction, and maintenance standards that are as, or more, protective as those found in the Washington State Department of Ecology's 2012 Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington (SWMMWW) as amended in 2014. These new standards include requirements for the use of low impact development (LID) stormwater management practices at all new and re-developing sites that meet specific sizing criteria.</p>	<p>CB</p>
<p>13. 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</p> <p>The changes will apply to zoning classification throughout the City.</p>	<p>CB - City-wide proposal</p>

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<p>B. <u>SUPPLEMENTAL</u></p> <p>Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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?</p> <p>Proper stormwater management is necessary to protect human health and safety and protect the environment. LID is a method of stormwater management that has been proven to reduce the volume of stormwater runoff generated and treat polluted runoff.</p> <p>Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:</p> <p>Traditional and LID stormwater management have been proven to reduce the environmental impacts of polluted stormwater runoff and reduce the amount of uncontrolled runoff flowing to lakes, rivers, streams, and marine environments.</p> <p>2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?</p> <p>LID is a method of stormwater management that has been proven to protect surface water resources. By reducing pollution and reducing the "flashiness" of stormwater runoff, LID helps protect aquatic and riparian habitats.</p> <p>Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish or marine life are:</p> <p>LID is a method of stormwater management that has been proven to protect surface water resources. By reducing pollution and reducing the "flashiness" of stormwater runoff, LID helps protect aquatic and riparian habitats.</p>	<p>CB</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB - In general, LID methods would be beneficial to plants and animals.</p> <p>CB - LID practices also include native vegetation retention which also benefits plants and wildlife.</p>

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<p>3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?</p> <p>No impacts of these sorts are anticipated due to the proposed action.</p> <p>Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:</p> <p>No impacts of these sorts are anticipated due to the proposed action. Proposed changes to the STN should be energy neutral. LID is a method of stormwater management that has been proven to protect surface water resources. By reducing pollution and reducing the "flashiness" of stormwater runoff, LID can help protect aquatic and riparian habitat.</p>	<p>CB</p> <p>CB</p>
<p>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, floodplains, or prime farmlands?</p> <p>Traditional stormwater management and LID are compatible with the conservation of sensitive areas. The building of stormwater facilities other than conveyance pipes within critical areas is prohibited by City code.</p> <p>Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:</p> <p>No such protective measures are required -- in fact maintaining sensitive areas is an "LID principle."</p>	<p>CB</p> <p>CB</p>

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<p>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?</p> <p>Changes to the STN allowing for greater use of LID should address stormwater quality and quantity issues, and therefore benefits shorelines. Use of some type stormwater facilities and management techniques are not allowed in phosphorous control areas.</p> <p>Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:</p> <p>The building of stormwater facilities other than conveyance pipes within critical areas is prohibited by City code. The infiltration of water in Phosphorous Controls areas is not allowed by the Washington Department of Ecology and thus is not part of the proposed STN changes.</p> <p>6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?</p> <p>No such impacts are anticipated as a result of this action--in fact, this action ensures that necessary stormwater facilities are placed at new and re-developing construction projects.</p> <p>Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:</p> <p>No such impacts are anticipated as a result of this action.</p>	<p>CB - Not likely to affect since stormwater management is already required. LID simply represents another approach of stormwater management.</p> <p>CB - No additional measures required.</p> <p>CB</p> <p>CB - None anticipated.</p>

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<p>7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.</p> <p>The proposed action will place the City of Redmond in compliance with State issued Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit, and the Federal Clean Water Act.</p>	<p>CB</p>

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: Steve Hitch Digitally signed by Steve Hitch
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Name of Signee: Steve Hitch

Position and Agency/Organization: Senior Engineer / City of Redmond

Relationship of Signer to Project: Update Lead

Date Submitted: 10/6/2016