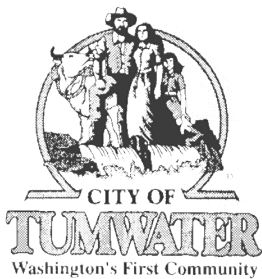


Appendix H – SEPA Checklist and Determination





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DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
TUM-14-0429
City of Tumwater Comprehensive Sewer Plan

Description of proposal: Adoption of amendments to the Comprehensive Sewer General Plan.

The updates involve current and projected future capacity of the City to provide sanitary sewer service to current and future customers.

Proponent: City of Tumwater, Public Works Department, Attn: John Norman, P.E., 555 Israel Road SW, Tumwater, WA 98501.

Location of proposal: The proposed amendments apply to all properties located within the City of Tumwater and the City's Urban Growth Boundary.

Lead agency: City of Tumwater, Community Development 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.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340; the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted no later than June 20, 2014, by 5:00 p.m.

Date: June 6, 2014

Responsible official:

Michael Matlock, AICP
Community Development Director

Contact person:

John Norman, P.E. (360) 754-4140
555 Israel Road SW
Tumwater, WA 98501

Appeals of this DNS must be made to the City Clerk, no later than June 26, 2014 by 5:00 p.m. All appeals shall be in writing, be signed by the appellant, be accompanied by a filing fee of \$175, and set forth the specific basis for such appeal, error alleged and relief requested.



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**ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST
Application**

TUM - 14 0429 Kessi RCVD BY	DATE STAMP JUN 04 2014 CITY OF TUMWATER COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
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Any person proposing to develop in the incorporated limits of the City of Tumwater is **required to submit an environmental checklist** unless the project is exempt as specified in WAC 197-11-800 (Categorical Exemptions) of the State Environmental Policy Act Rules. **SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS** are as follows:

1. **A COMPLETE ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST.** If the project is located within the Port of Olympia property, the checklist must also be signed by a representative of the Port.
2. **FEE OF \$880.00 TO BE PAID UPON SUBMITTAL.**
3. **NAME AND ADDRESS LIST OF PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY.**

Purpose of Checklist:

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), Chapter 43.21 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 help 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 impacts.

Use of Checklist for Non-Project Proposals

Complete this checklist for non-project proposals, even though questions may be answered "does not apply." IN ADDITION, complete the SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NON-PROJECT ACTIONS (Part D).

A. BACKGROUND

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable.

City of Tumwater General Sewer Plan

2. Name of applicant.

City of Tumwater, Public Works Department, Attn: John Norman, City Engineer

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

555 Israel Road SW, Tumwater, WA 98501 (360) 754-4140

4. Date checklist prepared: May 27, 2014

5. Agency requesting checklist:

City of Tumwater, Community Development

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

Anticipate submitting to the Department of Ecology for review in July 2014 and to City Council for formal adoption by the end of the year.

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

N/A

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

N/A

- 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.

N/A

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

WA State Department of Ecology.

- 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 City of Tumwater General Sewer Plan updates the current and projected future capacity of the City to provide sanitary sewer service to current and future customers. The General Sewer Plan covers the area served by the City of Tumwater within the City limits and the associated Urban Growth Area.

- 12. 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.

Area served by the City of Tumwater within the City limits and the associated Urban Growth Area.

B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

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1. Earth

- a. General description of the site (circle one): Flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other:

N/A

- 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 prime farmland.

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

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- 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 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.

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

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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.

N/A

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

N/A

- 3) Estimate 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 which would be affected. Indicate 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



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- 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 general size of systems, number of such systems, number of houses to be served (if applicable), or number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.

N/A

c. *Water Runoff (including stormwater):*

- 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

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

N/A

4. Plants

a. Circle types of vegetation found on the site:

Deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other:

N/A

Evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other:

N/A

Wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bulrush, skunk cabbage, other:

N/A

Water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other:

N/A

Shrubs, grass, pasture, crop or grain.

N/A

Other types of vegetation (*describe*):

N/A

- 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

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5. Animals

- a. Circle 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:

N/A

Mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:

N/A

Fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring,
 shellfish, other:

N/A

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- b. List all 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.

N/A

- 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, 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.

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

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- 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 and levels of noise exist in the area that may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?

N/A

- 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.

N/A

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

N/A

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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, what?

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

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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

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

N/A

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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

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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



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- 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

- 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 the proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.

N/A

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- b. Is 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 roads 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 volumes would occur.

N/A

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

N/A

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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, septic system, 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

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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, wetlands, flood plains, or prime farmlands?

Facilities proposed by the Sanitary Sewer Plan are restricted to rights of way within the City limits and the Urban Growth area.



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

Any future construction designated in this plan will be expected to comply with existing regulations



- 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 facilities proposed in the Sanitary Sewer Comprehensive plan affect the entire City, any shoreline or land within the City could be affected.



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

Any future construction designated in this plan will be expected to comply with existing regulations



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

The Sanitary Sewer Comprehensive plan is a proposed plan to alleviate future service demand.



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

The proposed facilities are proposed to mitigate future impacts on growth and needs for public service.



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

No conflicts have been identified



C. SIGNATURE – APPLICANT / PROJECT REPRESENTATIVE

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.

John Norman, PE, City Engineer

Applicant / Representative – Please Print

John R. Norman

Applicant / Representative – Signature

6-4-14

Date Submitted

D. SIGNATURE – PROPERTY OWNER'S REVIEW, PORT OF OLYMPIA (if applicable)

I certify that I have reviewed the above environmental checklist prepared by the applicant and that the project is consistent with the tenant's lease for Port property. The Port's comments have been incorporated in the document as submitted or as noted.

N/A

Port of Olympia – Please Print

Port of Olympia – Signature

Date Submitted

E. SIGNATURE – CITY OF TUMWATER

Chris Carlson

City of Tumwater – Please Print

Chris Carlson

City of Tumwater – Signature

6-4-14

Date Submitted

Reviewed by: *Chris Carlson*

Date: 6-6-14



SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NON-PROJECT 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 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.

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 Sanitary Sewer Comprehensive plan does not increase
pollutions to the environment

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such
increases are:

Compliance with environmental regulations. Future projects proposed under
this plan will be reviewed under SEPA if applicable as the occur.

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

The Sanitary Sewer Comprehensive plan would not affect plants, animals,
fish or marine life.

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

Compliance with environmental regulations. Future projects proposed under
this plan will be reviewed under SEPA if applicable as they occur.

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

It would not deplete energy or natural resources

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

None

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RELATED CASE NUMBER(S): TUM-14-0429

- * Corps of Engineers (Darren Habel)
- * Department of Ecology (sepaunit@ecy.wa.gov)
- * Department of Fish & Wildlife (Theresa Nation)
- * Department of Natural Resources (Seth Barnes & Taylor Mizar)
- * Department of Roads & Transportation (Theresa Parsons)
- * Olympia Community Planning & Development (Cari Hornbein)
- * Olympic Region Clean Air Agency (Mark Goodin)
- * Port of Olympia (Robertz)
- * Thurston County Environmental Health (Sara Brallier)
- * Thurston County Planning (Robert Smith & Cindy Wilson)
- * Thurston County Treasurer (trsr)
- * U.S. Post Office (Westside) (Ann Hitchings)
- * WSDOT (General Email) (Dale Severson & Debbie Johnson)
- * Applicant: JANA NORMAN - City of Tumwater

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- Thurston County Water Resources (Jim Bachmeier)
- Tom Oliva
- Tumwater Hill Association (Jim Oberlander)
- Tumwater School District (Mel Murray)
- Washington State Parks Environmental Program
- Tumwater Chamber of Commerce (Director)
- Mailing List (attached)
- One Copy to Planning Division (for posting)
- Posted at City Hall & City Library
- Original to NOA file / SEPA file
- Others: N/A

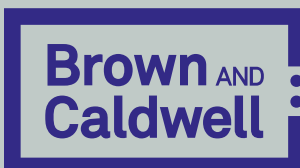
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