

**MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (MDNS)
And Notice of Decision**

File BP03-1126

Notice is hereby given that on September 10, 2003, Skagit County Parks Department filed a Grading Permit Application (BP03-1126) with a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) checklist to complete the following project: The Northern State Recreation Area Access project involves adding an extension to an existing corrugated metal culvert (23-feet long by 3-foot diameter) and associated earthwork to accommodate a 41-foot wide access to the Northern State Recreation Area. The project will involve adding up to 30-feet of 3-foot diameter corrugated metal culvert to an existing 3-foot diameter corrugated metal culvert located in the roadside ditch (Type 3 water) immediately north of the existing culvert. The project also includes development of an entrance apron, construction of a 100-foot long by 25-foot wide access road, and construction of an approximately 35,000 square foot gravel parking lot requiring approximately 457 cubic yards of fill. The parking lot will be located outside of the 100-foot setback buffer from the Type 3 water. The proposed project is located within the Urban Growth Area for the City of Sedro-Woolley (UGA) zoning/comprehensive plan designated area as indicated in the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan and associated maps adopted July 24, 2000. A letter of completeness was issued and the application was determined to be complete on September 25, 2003.

PROPONENT: Skagit County Parks Department, 315 South Third, Mount Vernon, WA. 97273.

PROJECT LOCATION: The project is located west of Helmick Road, Sedro-Woolley, within a portion of Section 8, Township 35N, Range 5E W.M., Skagit County, Washington.

LEAD AGENCY: Skagit County Planning and Permit Center.

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 determination is subject to the mitigated measures as identified below and shall be deemed conditions of approval of the land use and/or permit pursuant to Skagit County Code 14.12. Such conditions are considered binding and may not be altered by subsequent decisions unless a threshold determination is re-issued.

1. Temporary erosion/sedimentation control measures, as approved by the Skagit County Department of Public Works, shall be in place prior to the placement of any fill material. The applicant shall maintain all temporary erosion/sedimentation control measures in accordance with the Skagit County Drainage/Erosion/Sedimentation Control Ordinance. Said measures shall remain in place until completion of the project.
2. The applicant shall comply with Northwest Air Pollution Authority requirements.
3. The applicant shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 14.32 of the Skagit County Code, the Skagit County Drainage, Water and Sedimentation Control Ordinance, as it relates to increased runoff resulting from additional impervious surfaces.

The Lead Agency previously issued a comment period for this proposal under the Optional DNS process outlined under WAC 197-11-355.

You may appeal this threshold determination in accordance with Skagit County Code 14.12 and 14.06 and then by filing such with the Skagit County Planning and Permit Center for service to the SEPA responsible official within fourteen (14) calendar days after the date of the threshold determination.

Appeals must be submitted no later than: 11-6-03.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: Planning Director

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Signature: _____

cc: WDOE, Public Works, Parks Department, NWAPA, Fire Marshal, WSDF&W, Skagit Systems Cooperative

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