

**SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

For

Skagit County Public Works
Shoreline Substantial Development Permit PL22-0153
Francis Road Reconstruction Section I

Project Description: Skagit County Public Works, filed a Shoreline Substantial Development Permit application PL22-0153 to reconstruct and widen a section of Francis Road. Project activities include clearing, grubbing, regrading, paving, and relocating utilities. The proposed new roadway will consist of two 12-foot-wide travel lanes and 8-foot shoulders. The project requires the acquisition of new right-of-way.

The project will encompass approximately 6.90 acres, of which 6.10 will be disturbed by construction activities for filling, excavation, and grading. The quantity of fill material will be approximately 26,700 cubic yards, with approximately 7,300 cubic yards of excavation occurring.

Approximately 4,371 cubic yards of gravel base fill will be placed within identified wetland areas within the project area. As part of the Corps permit review process, the applicant proposes to purchase credits from the Skagit Environmental Bank to mitigate for wetland fill impacts.

Proponent: Skagit County Public Works, David Walde, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA 98273.

Project Location: The improvements will be along a 0.61 mile section of the road beginning at milepost 5.05 and ending at milepost 5.66. The proposed work will begin just east of Debay's Isle Road and end at the roundabout at State Route 9 in Clear Lake within the Northeast ¼ of Section 2 and the Northwest ¼ of Section 1, Township 34 North, Range 4 East, W.M. Skagit County, WA.

Lead Agency: Skagit County Planning & Development Services

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(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. **Comments must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. May 19, 2022.**

You may appeal this threshold determination in accordance with Skagit County Code 14.06 and 16.12 and then by filing such with Skagit County Planning and Development Services within 14 calendar days after the date of the threshold determination.

Appeals must be submitted no later than: **4:30 p.m. June 3, 2022.**

Responsible Official: Director of Planning and Development Services

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On behalf of Hal Hart

Director, Planning & Development Services

Cc: WDOE, Public Works, NW Clean Air Agency, Fire Marshal, WDFW, Skagit River System Cooperative, DAHP, Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community, Samish Indian Nation, USACOE, Applicant

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