

SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (MDNS)
And NOTICE OF DECISION
For
Skagit County Public Works
File # **PL24-0410**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Notice is hereby given that on December 2, 2024, Skagit County Planning and Development Services approved the independent State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) checklist review for the rehabilitation of the historic Skagit River Marblemount Bridge. The project includes sandblasting, cleaning, replacing missing fasteners, repairing bearings, repairing and strengthening gusset plates and truss members, replacing sliding steel plate joints, placing a new epoxy overlay on the bridge deck, resealing the panel point joints, replacing the concrete bridge rail on the bridge approach spans and repainting the bridge. During construction, one lane will remain open for traffic except for periodic bridge closures such as when the containment system is installed, bridge joints replaced, or bridge deck overlay is being installed. During closures, a detour route will be available using Rockport Cascade Road, SR 530 and SR 20. The proposed project is located within the Rural Village Residential (west side) and the Agricultural-Natural Resource Lands (Ag-NRL) (east side) zoning/comprehensive plan designated areas as indicated in the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan and associated maps adopted July 5, 2016, and as thereafter amended.

PROPONENT: Skagit County Public Works, c/o Grace Kane, 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA 98273. **PROJECT CONTACT:** David Evans and Associates, c/o Gary Maynard, 20300 Woodinville Snohomish Road NE, Suite A, Woodinville, WA 98072.

PROJECT LOCATION: The site is located over the Skagit River on Cascade River Road just east of Milepost 106.13 on State Route 20. Located East of 60774 State Route 20 (P46172) and West of 60661 Cascade River Road (P45949), Marblemount, within a portion of Section 18, Township 35N, Range 11 East, W.M., situated within Skagit County, Washington.

LEAD AGENCY: Skagit County Planning and 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 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 16.12. 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 Planning and Development Services, shall be in place prior to the commencement of rehabilitation activities. The applicant shall maintain all temporary erosion/sedimentation control measures in accordance with the Skagit County Stormwater Management Ordinance. Said measures shall remain in place until completion of the project.
2. The applicant shall comply with Northwest Clean Air Agency requirements.
3. The applicant shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 14.32 of the Skagit County Code, the Skagit County Stormwater Management Ordinance, as it relates to increased runoff resulting from additional impervious surfaces.
4. The applicant shall comply with Fire Code Standards.

5. The applicant shall comply with all relevant provisions of 14.24 of the Skagit County Code (Skagit County Critical Areas Ordinance).
6. The applicant must submit detour plans to WSDOT for review and approval prior to project commencement.
7. The contractor shall prepare and follow a spill prevention and emergency cleanup plan.
8. The contractor shall follow the Inadvertent Discovery Protocols. Should any human remains, archaeological, historic or cultural materials be discovered during construction, work in the affected area shall cease immediately and the area shall be secured of adequate size to protect it from further disturbance until the State provides a notice to proceed. Within 24 hours of the discovery, or as soon thereafter as possible, the developer shall notify the Skagit County Sheriff's office, Skagit County Planning and Development Services, the Washington State Department of Archeology and Historic Preservation and affected tribes. The discovery of any human skeletal remains must be reported to law enforcement immediately. If following consultation with the above parties it is determined that further archaeological and cultural resource assessments are required, the project developer shall retain the services of a professional archaeologist to prepare such an assessment. Project work in the affected area shall only continue when in conformance with applicable state and federal laws.

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 14.06 and 16.12 and then by filing such with the Skagit County Planning and Development Services 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: **December 19, 2024**

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: Director of Planning and Development Services
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Date: 12-3-24 Signature Brandon Black.
On behalf of Jack Moore
Planning and Development Services Director

cc: WDOE, Public Works, NW Clean Air Agency, Fire Marshal, WSDF&W, Skagit River Systems Coop, DAHP, Army Corps., Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, Samish Indian Nation, Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe, Critical Areas and Stormwater review staff, Health Dept., Water Resources, Skagit County Parks & Recreation, WSDOT, Applicant, Parties of record.

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