SKAGIT COUNTY DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SKAGIT COUNTY CODE, SECTIONS 14.04, DEFINITIONS AND 14.16.400 AGRICULTURAL-NATURAL RESOURCE LANDS

Description of Proposal: A non-project legislative action to amend the Skagit County Code, Chapters 14.04, Definitions, and 14.16.400, Zoning, Agricultural-Natural Resource Lands (Ag-NRL) regarding wetland mitigation banks.

Proponent: Skagit County

Location of Proposal: Affecting all lands designated Agricultural-Natural Resource Lands within unincorporated Skagit County, excluding federal and tribal lands.

Proponent/Lead Agency: Skagit County Planning & Development Services

Findings: The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the action 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). The 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.

Comment Period: The comment period on this DNS is April 9, 2009 – April 23, 2009.

Appeal Period: Pursuant to SCC 14.12.210, no administrative appeal process is available for this legislative action.

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