

# Walla Walla County Community Development Department

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File No. SEPA20-002

## DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

**Description of Proposal:** Middle Waitsburg Road MP 6.1 to 7.92. Realign existing road to remove substandard horizontal and vertical curves. Widen road to provide paved shoulders and remove deficient guard rail. Flatten slopes and provide clear zone. Provide delineation with edge stripe.

**Proponent(s):** WW COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT c/o Seth Walker  
PO BOX 813; WALLA WALLA WA, 99362

**Location of Proposal:** The site is located generally on Middle Waitsburg Road between mileposts 6.10 and 7.92. Sections 13, 24, & 25, Township 8 North, Range 36 EWM.

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.

The Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) is based on the project as proposed and reflected in the following:

- Environmental Checklist (SEPA20-002), dated 1/15/2020, revised 3/30/2020
- Proposed Alignment and Section Plan, dated 7/19/2019
- Cultural Resource Study conducted by Plateau Archaeological Investigations, LLC, dated June, 2019
- State of Washington Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation letter, dated 7/30/2019
- Vicinity Map dated 12/8/2017, revised 3/23/2020

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2)(a); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for fourteen days from the date below. **Comments must be submitted by August 12, 2020.**

The lead agency has determined that the requirements for environmental analysis, protection, and mitigation measures have been adequately addressed in the development regulations and comprehensive plan adopted under chapter 36.70A RCW, and in other applicable local, state or federal laws or rules, as provided by RCW 43.21C.240 and WAC 197-11-158. Our agency will not require any additional mitigation measures under SEPA.

This DNS may be withdrawn at any time if the proposal is modified so that it is likely to have significant adverse environmental impacts (unless a non-exempt license has been issued if the proposal is a private project); if there is significant new information indicating, or on, a proposal's probable significant adverse environmental impacts; or if the DNS was procured by misrepresentation or lack of material disclosure.

**Lead Agency:** Walla Walla County Community Development Department (CDD)

**Responsible official:** Lauren A. Prentice; Director

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**Issue Date:** 7/29/2020

**Signature:**  \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** 7/29/2020

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You may appeal this determination, in writing, to the CDD no later than fourteen days from the end of the comment period. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Contact the CDD to read or ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals and obtain details regarding submittals for appeals (including application forms and fees). Walla Walla County Code (WWCC) Chapter 14.11 outlines the County's appeal procedure.