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SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

- Project name/number: Walla Walla County Shoreline Master Program Periodic Update/SEPA23-004 '18°
- Proponent: Walla Walla County
c/o Community Development Department
310 W Poplar Street, Suite 200
Walla Walla, WA 99362
- Project description: Walla Walla County has prepared draft Shoreline Master Program (SMP) amendments to keep the SMP current with changes in state law, changes in other County plans and regulations, and other changed local circumstances. Proposed amendments to the County's SMP are available for review at: https://www.co.walla-walla.wa.us/government/commissioners/shoreline_master_program.php.
- Location: Non-project Action. The updated SMP will apply to shoreline jurisdiction within Walla Walla County. Shoreline jurisdiction includes land within 200 feet of the ordinary highwater mark (OHWM); its floodway; contiguous 100-year floodplain extending a maximum of 200 feet inland of the floodway; and any associated wetlands or the following waterbodies: the Snake, Columbia, Walla Walla and Touchet Rivers, Bennington Lake, Mill Creek, and lower Yellowhawk Creek.

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 reviewing a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

The DNS is based on the project as proposed and reflected in the following:

- SEPA Environmental Checklist, '18° , dated 3/8/2023
- Walla Walla County 2023 Periodic Review Checklist, dated 2/3/2023
- Draft SMP amendments dated 2/3/2023

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 in writing by 5:00 PM April 6, 2023.**

Send written comments via email to planning@co.walla-walla.wa.us or to
Walla Walla County Community Development
c/o Jennifer Ballard, Senior Planner
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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

Responsible Official: Lauren Prentice, Community Development Director

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Issue Date: March 23, 2023

Signature:  _____

Date: 3/17/2023

A person may appeal this DNS within 14 days of the close of the comment period (5:00 PM on April 20, 2023). You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Contact the COD 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.