

# SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

## ***Purpose of checklist:***

Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

## ***Instructions for applicants:***

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. You may use "not applicable" or "does not apply" only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown. You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

## ***Instructions for Lead Agencies:***

Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

## ***Use of checklist for nonproject proposals:***

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B plus the SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTIONS (part D). Please completely answer all questions that apply and note that the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proponent," and "affected geographic area," respectively. The lead agency may exclude (for non-projects) questions in Part B - Environmental Elements –that do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

## **A. Background**

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

1. *2020 Comprehensive Plan Amendments – Amendment #1 Amend Table 6.6 of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan to acquire park and open space between Dayton Avenue and Interstate 5 and between 145th and 165th Streets.*

2. Name of applicant:

*City of Shoreline.*

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

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4. Date checklist prepared:

*September 17, 2020.*

5. Agency requesting checklist:

*City of Shoreline.*

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

*Planning Commission Discussion: September 17, 2020.  
Planning Commission Public Hearing: October 15, 2020.  
City Council Study Session: November 9, 2020.  
City Council Adoption: November 23, 2020.*

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.

*Amendment #1 – The City will continue to acquire land for park and recreation purposes based on the need of the community stated in the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan (PROS Plan).*

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

*Final Environmental Impact Statement for the City of Shoreline Comprehensive Plan was issued 11/2/98 for the main body of related environmental analysis. Supplemental EIS's were issued for the 2005 Comprehensive Update as well as the 2012 Comprehensive Plan update. SEPA analysis was also conducted for the adoption of the Development Code 6/12/00, and subsequent non-exempt amendments to the Development Code.*

*A separate SEPA checklist is being prepared for the proposed amendments to the Point Wells Subarea Plan which is the second amendment on the 2020 Comprehensive Plan Docket. The cumulative impacts for both amendments were considered and evaluated in both SEPA checklists. A separate environmental determination will be issued for the Point Wells Subarea Plan and related Development Code amendments for Point Wells.*

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.

*No.*

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

*Future acquisition of park space will require Council approval.*

11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)

2020 Comprehensive Plan Amendment #1:

*Amend Table 6.6 of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan to acquire park and open space between Dayton Avenue and Interstate 5 and between 145th and 165th Streets.*

*Description:*

*This amendment amends Table 6.6 of the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space Plan (PROS). Table 6.6 is a list of general capital projects that are targeted for acquisition between 2024 and 2029. The amendment includes acquisition of park space and open space between Dayton Avenue to I-5 and between 145<sup>th</sup> Street to 165<sup>th</sup> Street instead of the more constrained area of Aurora Avenue to I-5 and 155<sup>th</sup> Street to 165<sup>th</sup> Street. This amendment will provide additional opportunities to meet the level of service targets for the Westminster Triangle Neighborhood.*

12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist.

*Amendment #1 – The proposed change to Table 6.6 will allow acquisition of park space between Dayton Avenue N and Interstate 5 and between N.145<sup>th</sup> Street and N.165<sup>th</sup> Street.*

## **B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS**

### **1. Earth**

a. General description of the site:

*(circle one): Amendment #1 - Flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other treed, urban, paved, developed*

b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?

*The City contains areas of slopes over 40 percent in some areas, especially on the western most and eastern most portions of the City.*

c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils.

*Recent geologic mapping of King County (Booth and Wisher, 2006) identifies the City as being underlain primarily by glacially derived or glacially overridden soils.*

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

*Landslide hazard areas within the City of Shoreline occur predominantly along the western perimeter of the City, where the highlands descend to Puget Sound, or within steeply incised natural drainages, such as Boeing and McAleer Creeks.*

e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.

*Filling, grading, and excavation will be evaluated during review of the building/site development permit.*

f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.

*To address erosion and sedimentation impacts, grading and stormwater codes of agencies and municipalities require preparation of a SWPPP before grading permits are issued. Such plans are prepared based upon the requirements of the adopted Surface Water Design Manual. If the area of ground disturbance exceeds one acre, then a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit is also required. Projects seeking NPDES permit coverage typically conform to the conditions of the Department of Ecology's (Ecology) Construction Stormwater General Permit (CSWGP), which include implementation of a SWPPP and protocols for monitoring site discharges for compliance with water quality standards.*

*Minimum requirements and best management practices (BMPs) for SWPPP s are established by the Washington State Department of Ecology in the Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington (Stormwater Manual; Ecology, 2014); municipalities typically adopt these minimum requirements and BMP design standards, or their equivalents, as part of their stormwater management requirements for site development. The City of Shoreline has adopted the Stormwater Manual and the Low Impact Technical Guidance Manual for Puget Sound (LID Manual; Washington State University and Puget Sound Partnership, 2012). The City also encourages the use of emerging technologies that are part of the Washington Department of Ecology's Technology Assessment Protocol (TAPE). These BMPs, together with the erosion and sedimentation control BMPs of the Stormwater Manual, constitute the BAS for prevention of erosion and the treatment of sediment-laden runoff.*

- g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?

*This is a non-project action. The City has regulations about how much a site may be covered by buildings and hardscape. These regulations are adjusted based on the zoning of a parcel.*

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:

*This is a non-project action. Erosion control is regulated by the City's Development Code, Engineering Development Manual, and the Department of Ecology.*

## **2. Air**

- a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.

*This is a non-project action. The City has regulations to control the amount of emissions being released into the air. The City also tracks carbon emissions which can be viewed at [cityofshoreline.com](http://cityofshoreline.com).*

*Note that the Development Code and Engineering Development Guide together with state and federal law would mitigate probable significant adverse impacts associated with development. Please also see the EIS for the Shoreline Comprehensive Plan for information about air quality existing conditions and the Final EIS.*

- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.

*This is a non-project action so this question does not apply.*

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:

*There are no specific measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air.*

## **3. Water**

- a. Surface Water:

- 1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.

*The City contains many streams, lakes, ponds, and wetlands.*

- 2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans.

*Future park space on sites containing water features such as streams, wetlands, lakes and their floodplains are subject to critical area regulations SMC 20.80.010-500. The Critical Areas Ordinance was revised in 2015. Also, the City has recently updated and adopted the revised Shoreline Master Program in 2019.*

- 3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material.

*This proposal is not site specific.*

- 4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

*This proposal is not site specific.*

- 5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.

*Future park space may lie within the 100-year floodplain. Floodplain regulations are addressed in SMC 13.12.*

- 6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.

*The discharge of waste materials to surface waters is regulated by state and federal law, as well as the Development Code SMC 20.80 (Critical Areas Ordinance).*

b. Ground Water:

- 1) Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

*Ground water withdrawals and discharges are regulated by state and federal law, as well as the Development Code SMC 20.80(Critical Areas Ordinance).*

- 2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals. . . ; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.

*Does not apply.*

c. Water runoff (including stormwater):

- 1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.

*Does not apply.*

2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

*Does not apply. It should be noted that the Development Code SMC 20.80 (Critical Areas Ordinance) contains regulations for buffers around surface waters and adopts best management practices to prevent waste materials from entering those waters. For additional information about impacts and mitigation associated with development that would be reviewed under the Development Code, please see the EIS for the Comprehensive Plan.*

3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

*Does not apply. See SMC 20.60.060-130 adequacy of public facilities—surface and stormwater management.*

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

*Does not apply.*

#### 4. Plants

a. Check the types of vegetation found on the site:

- X deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other
- X evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other
- X shrubs
- X grass
- \_\_\_ pasture
- \_\_\_ crop or grain
- \_\_\_ Orchards, vineyards or other permanent crops.
- X wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other
- X water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other
- X other types of vegetation

b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?

*Does not apply. Note that the Development Code SMC 20.50.290-370 and 20.80.010-500 contain regulations that limit vegetation removal in critical areas and buffers and additional requirements for tree retention and planting on all lands.*

c. List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

*Nonproject action - Does not apply. The City of Shoreline is home to several priority species.*

- d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any:

*Nonproject actions - Does not apply.*

- e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.

*Nonproject action - Does not apply.*

## 5. Animals

- a. List any birds and other animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site.

Examples include:

birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:

mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:

fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other \_\_\_\_\_

- b. List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

*Nonproject action - Does not apply.*

- c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply. Most of Western Washington lies in the Pacific Flyway for migratory birds. Some portions of the City (primarily riparian corridors) are thought to serve as local migration routes.*

- d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any:

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply. SMC 20.80 includes standards to protect Fish and Wildlife Conservation areas which provide opportunities for food, cover, nesting, breeding, and movement for fish and wildlife within the City. Where site specific conditions warrant, the City shall use SEPA substantive authority to condition or deny development based on probable significant environmental impacts.*

- e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

## 6. Energy and Natural Resources

- a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

- b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties?  
If so, generally describe.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

- c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal?  
List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any:

*Non-project action. Does not apply.*

## 7. Environmental Health

- a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal?  
If so, describe.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply. Typically, future park space will not include any environmental health hazards.*

Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.

*None known.*

- 1) Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity.

*Future park space will be evaluated for existing hazards during the acquisition and feasibility stage.*

- 2) Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project.

*None known.*

- 3) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

*None known.*

- 4) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

*Environmental remediation of toxic materials, if present, will have to comply with Department of Ecology regulations and Shoreline's Critical Area Ordinance.*

b. Noise

- 1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?

*Future park space will most likely be surrounded by residential and/or mixed-use development.*

- 2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site.

*Noise from construction will occur as new parks develop. This City limits hours of construction to mitigate noise.*

- 3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

*Shoreline Municipal Code Chapter 9.05 Public Disturbance Noise contains restrictions on operating hours and for construction hours and activities within the City.*

**8. Land and Shoreline Use**

- a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe.

*Future park space is most likely used as residential or vacant land.*

- b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses as a result of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use?

*None known at this time.*

- 1) Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversized equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how:

*No.*

- c. Describe any structures on the site.

*Future park land may contain single-family homes and/or vacant land.*

- d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?

*Not known at this time.*

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

*Future park land will most likely be zoned R-6.*

f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?

*Future park land is most likely designated Low-Density Residential.*

g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?

*Not known at this time.*

h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.

*Many areas of the City have been designated as a critical area.*

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?

*Not known at this time. New park space will be staffed by current City of Shoreline employees.*

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?

*Not known at this time.*

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:

*New park space will comply with the City's PROS Plan and any goals and policies in the Park Element of the Comprehensive Plan.*

m. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with nearby agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:

*Does not apply.*

## **9. Housing**

a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

*Does not apply.*

- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

*If new park land contained a home, the home would be removed.*

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:

*No proposed measures are proposed.*

## 10. Aesthetics

- a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?

*Most park land is on parcels zoned R-6. The R-6 zone allows structures up to 35-feet high.*

- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?

*Not known at this time.*

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:

*Not known at this time.*

## 11. Light and Glare

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?

*Light and glare may be generated from lights if provided.*

- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?

*Not known at this time.*

- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?

*None known at this time.*

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:

*SMC 20.50.240(H) includes regulations to reduce or control light and glare impacts.*

## 12. Recreation

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply. The City of Shoreline has many parks and recreational facilities. The PROS Plan includes a list of existing park facilities.*

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.

*The proposed amendment will add recreational uses to the City.*

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

### 13. Historic and cultural preservation

- a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers located on or near the site? If so, specifically describe.

*Impacts to historic properties would be considered at time of permit application. City currently has an interlocal agreement with the King County and the King County Landmarks and Heritage Commission to provide historic preservation services for the City. See Shoreline Ordinance #53. No changes are proposed to existing Historic Landmarks program, regulations, or listing adopted from King County and administered under interlocal agreement with King County. The Shoreline Historical Museum has an archive that includes information about historic structures in Shoreline.*

- b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources.

*Impacts to landmarks, features or Native American occupied sites would be considered at time of permit application. The Shoreline Historical Museum has an archive that includes information about landmarks, features and culturally significant sites in Shoreline.*

- c. Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc. [h

*Impacts to cultural and historic resources would be considered at time of permit application. The Shoreline Historical Museum has an archive that includes information about cultural and historic resources in Shoreline.*

- d. Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

#### 14. Transportation

- a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

- b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply. The City of Shoreline is served by Sound Transit, Community Transit and Metro and provide many routes throughout the city.*

- c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate?

*Not known at this time.*

- d. Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).

*Not known at this time.*

- e. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

- f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

- g. Will the proposal interfere with, affect or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

**15. Public Services**

- a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.

*Generally new parks do not require an increase for public services.*

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

**16. Utilities**

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site:  
electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system,  
other \_\_\_\_\_

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

- c. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

*This is a nonproject action. Does not apply.*

**C. Signature**

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.



Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of signee Steven Szafran, AICP

Position and Agency/Organization Senior Planner, City of Shoreline

Date Submitted: September 22, 2020

**D. supplemental sheet for nonproject actions**

**(IT IS NOT NECESSARY** to use this sheet for project actions)

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?

*Adding more parks and open space to the City would be unlikely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances.*

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

*Development of new parks will comply with all city zoning, building, and surface water codes.*

2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?

*The proposed 2020 Comprehensive Plan amendment #1 would be unlikely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life. More parks and open space is likely to affect plants, animals, fish, and marine life for the better by providing more natural areas where development once occurred.*

Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:

*None specifically proposed. All new construction projects, including parks and open space, are required to comply with regulations that are designed to protect and conserve plants, animals, fish, and/or marine life including the Critical Areas Ordinance, Shoreline Development Code, Surface Water Design Manual, and Engineering Design Manual.*

3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?

*The proposed 2020 Comprehensive Plan amendment #1 will not deplete natural resources.*

Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:

*None proposed.*

4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection; such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?

*The proposed 2020 Comprehensive Plan Amendment #1 will not negatively affect environmentally sensitive areas. The City has codes in place to protect such areas including the Surface Water Master Plan which identifies goals and policies to provide increased stormwater protections for future development in the City.*

Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:

*Any new development must comply with the City's stormwater and critical area regulations.*

5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?

*The proposal to add park space is compatible with the existing PROS Plan and the Parks Element of the Comprehensive Plan. In order to provide the level-of-service for people to parks, more park space is required over the next 20 years. Amendment #1 expands the area where new parks may be located, adding to the overall park space in the City.*

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:

*Any new park development is subject to the City's Development Code, Shoreline Master Program (20.200), Engineering Development Manual, and the City's Critical Areas Ordinance (20.80).*

6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?

*New park space does not generally increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities.*

Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:

*The City's Transportation Master Plan lists growth projects, pedestrian, bicycle, and transit improvements throughout the city.*

7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

*This proposal will not conflict with local, state, or federal laws.*