ADDENDUM TO SEPA THRESHOLD DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Original DNS issued by the City of Shoreline Planning & Community Development Department on July 23, 2015 for updates to the City’s Critical Areas Ordinance

DATE OF ISSUANCE OF ADDENDUM: September 10, 2015
PROponent/Lead Agency: City of Shoreline

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL: Non-Project Action within Shoreline City Limits

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF THE ADDENDUM:

On July 23, 2015, the SEPA Official for the City of Shoreline Planning & Community Development Department issued a non-project DNS for the update of the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) and a limited amendment to the Shoreline Master Program. The scope of the update and limited amendment was to improve clarity and efficiency and to incorporate state-required best available science. The City of Shoreline Planning Commission held multiple study sessions on the proposed amendments and accepted comments from the public. Based on these comments and the Commission’s review resulted in several changes to the proposal.

The purpose of this Addendum is to evaluate the impacts related to an alternative amendment to SMC 20.80.224(E), (F), and (G) allowing development in Very High Risk Landslide Hazard Areas, where previously not approved that includes additional design standards and review requirements that would apply only to modification of very High Risk Landslide Hazard Areas to minimize potential risks. Included in this amendment is specific language for neighborhood meetings, liability waiver, special inspections, and special contractor bonding when developing in a Very High Risk Landslide Hazard Area. Because this alternative was not previously proposed, it was not included in the SEPA Checklist or July 23 DNS.

EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS:

PUBLIC HEARING
Tentatively scheduled for September 17, 2015

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This document is an Addendum to the non-project Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) issued on July 23, 2015, and the environmental checklist for the update of the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO), Shoreline Municipal Code (SMC) 20.80, and other related sections of the Shoreline Municipal Code. This addendum is being provided pursuant to RCW Chapter 43.21C and the authority provided in WAC 197-11-600(4)(c) and the procedures in WAC 197-11-625.

It has been determined that the new information in this Addendum does not substantially change the analysis of impacts in the original environmental checklist for this regulatory update (WAC 197-11-708). No new probable significant environmental impacts are expected to result for the proposal alternative.
This Addendum to the Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) is issued in accordance with WAC 197-11-600(4)(c).

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PUBLIC COMMENT

An addendum contains minor new information that was not included in the original SEPA document. An addendum is appropriate when a proposal is modified but is unlikely to have significant adverse environmental impact. The environmental checklist was revised for the SEPA addendum and is attached to this document. The proposal contains no new significant changes to the original proposal and is unlikely to have a significant adverse environmental impact.

Addendums do not require a public comment period. The City will distribute the Addendum documents to the agencies with jurisdiction and parties of record and will post the original SEPA determination and checklist and the SEPA addendum and revised checklist on the City's website.

The file is available for review at the City Hall, 17500 Midvale Ave N., 1st floor – Planning & Community Development.