

**SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (SDOT)
UPDATE OF DIRECTORS' RULE ADDRESSING TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS**

Description of proposal: The City of Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) has issued a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) in accordance with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) for the Update of Directors' Rule addressing Transportation Management Programs (TMPs). The update applies to both SDOT and the Department of Construction and Inspections and will go into effect in Q1 2021. The proposed update to the Director's Rule would connect the goals of TMPs to the City's transportation policy goals. The update would clarify the applicability and related authority of when a particular development proposal is subject to a TMP, either through SEPA review or Seattle Municipal Code requirements, and clarify how TMPs interact with other City processes. The edits also clarify that the Applicant / Responsible Party holds primary responsibility in reporting regular performance associated with the TMP, the process for recording a finalized TMP, the process for reporting and compliance monitoring, and when a TMP may need to be revised. Additionally, it includes updates to the transportation mode share definition and various TMP program elements, and some new suggested TMP program elements that reflect trends in urban mobility. Finally, the Directors' Rule has been updated to better define a Transportation Management Association and how a TMP site must demonstrate participation in activities offered.

Proponent: City of Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT)

Location of proposal including street address, if any: This proposal affects development proposals in many locations throughout Seattle, but in particular locations that accommodate larger developments (generally non-residential, though not entirely), where the Seattle Municipal Code and/or SEPA review and related mitigation requires the preparation of a TMP.

Lead Agency: SDOT

SDOT has determined that this proposal would 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 may be examined at <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/document-library/directors-rules-and-ordinances>.

☐ There is no comment period.

☐ This DNS is issued after using the optional DNS process in WAC 197-11-355 and Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) 25.05.355. There is no further comment period on the DNS.

☒ This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) 25.05.340; the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the issue date below. **Comments must be submitted to agency contact Ben Rosenblatt by 5:00 p.m. on March 4, 2021, by email to Ben.Rosenblatt@seattle.gov or by telephone to 206-683-3797.**

Issue Date: February 18, 2021

SEPA Responsible Official: Jill Macik, SEPA Responsible Official

Digitally signed by Jill Macik

Signature Date: 2021.02.11 16:02:39 -08'00'

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Date

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Any interested person may appeal this DNS by submitting a written Notice of Appeal and a filing fee to the Office of the Hearing Examiner. Appeals of the DNS must be received by the Hearing Examiner at the address shown below or pursuant to the **Office of Hearing Examiner Operating Rules During COVID-19** document available at the website shown below. **Appeals must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on March 11, 2021.** Appellants should be prepared to make specific factual objections. See SMC 25.05.680 for SEPA appeal procedures.

Hearing Examiner, Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 4000, PO Box 94729, Seattle, WA 98124; 206-684-0521; www.seattle.gov/examiner

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<https://www.seattle.gov/Documents/Departments/HearingExaminer/CODV19%20HXE%20Factsheets/Emergency%20Order%203-16-2020.pdf>