

**REISSUANCE OF REVISED SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
BURKE-GILMAN TRAIL EXTENSION – 11TH AVE NW TO THE BALLARD LOCKS**

Description of proposal: The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) proposes to complete the “missing link” between two existing segments of the Burke-Gilman Trail. The project will construct a dedicated multi-use trail for pedestrians and cyclists between 11th Avenue NW and the Hiram M. Chittenden (Ballard) Locks at 30th Avenue NW. A DNS for this proposal was originally issued in 2008, and a Revised DNS was issued in 2011 to include a trail alignment along Shilshole Avenue NW, between 17th Avenue NW and NW Vernon Place (the Shilshole Segment). Pursuant to an order from the King County Superior Court, SDOT has further developed the design of the Shilshole Segment and the Revised DNS is now being reissued for the entire proposal. Improvements for the entire proposal include landscaping at key locations, storm water drainage controls, and traffic signals at two crossing points along Shilshole Avenue NW. Construction may include both interim and permanent routes as adopted by Seattle City Council Resolution 30583; interim portions of the trail would be indicated by directional signs.

Proponent and Lead Agency: SDOT, P.O. Box 34966, Seattle, WA 98124-4996.

Location of proposal: The project is located in the Ballard neighborhood of Seattle, Washington. The trail will travel between 11th Avenue NW and the Ballard Locks along the south side of NW 45th Street and Shilshole Avenue NW and along the north side of NW 54th Street. A signed interim route may be constructed along Ballard Avenue NW between 17th Avenue NW and NW Vernon Place.

SDOT has determined, after review of the entire project and consideration of the further developed design of the Shilshole Segment, that this proposal still will 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. That information, along with the new supporting documentation related to the further design of the Shilshole Segment, may be examined in the Seattle Department of Planning and Development Public Resource Center at 700 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle, or at the Ballard Branch of the Seattle Public Library, 5614 22nd Avenue NW, Seattle. The new supporting documentation, as well as other information related to the project, is also available on the project website at <http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/missinglink.htm>.


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 by 5:00 p.m. May 14, 2012.**

Issue Date: April 30, 2012

SEPA Responsible Official: Peter Hahn, Director, SDOT



Signature



Date

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Any interested person may appeal this DNS by submitting a Notice of Appeal and a \$50.00 filing fee to the Office of the Hearing Examiner located at 700 Fifth Avenue, Suite 4000, Seattle; mailing address: P.O. Box 94729, Seattle, WA 98124-4729; telephone: (206) 684-0521. **The appeal must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. May 21, 2012.** The appellant should be prepared to make specific factual objections. See SMC 25.05.680 A(2)(a)(ii) for SEPA appeal procedures.