

**Meadowbrook Pond Facility Rehabilitation
SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)**

Description of Proposal

The Meadowbrook Pond Stormwater Detention and Flood Control Facility (Facility) is a constructed stormwater management facility that collects and detains a portion of the flows from Thornton Creek in order to reduce downstream flooding, streambed scouring, and sediment deposition in Lake Washington. The Facility was constructed in 1997, dredged in 2001, and then dredged again and enlarged in 2012. Dredging is necessary to remove accumulated sediment, restore storage volumes, and allow the Facility to function as intended.

The proposed rehabilitation work would restore the Facility to the 2012 design by removing up to approximately 12,000 cubic yards of accumulated sediment as frequently as annually for five years. The rehabilitation work would not alter any flow control features affecting Thornton Creek or the Pond, including the high flow bypass pipe inlet, the Pond entrance dike, the Pond outlet weir, or the overflow pipe to the high flow bypass pipe. To accommodate sediment removal, up to four beaver dams and/or lodges may need to be physically removed from the Facility annually for up to five years. SPU may take these work opportunities to live trap and relocate beavers to another location in Western Washington.

Proponent

Seattle Public Utilities
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Location of Proposal

The rehabilitation work would occur on a single SPU-owned parcel (2726049129; 10.5 acres) in the densely developed, residential Meadowbrook neighborhood, City of Seattle, King County, Washington. That parcel has several addresses, including 3600 Northeast 105th Street, 10700 36th Avenue Northeast, and 10515 39th Avenue Northeast. The project parcel is in the southwest quarter of Section 27, Township 26 North, Range 4 East and within the Lake Washington Water Resource Inventory Area 8 (WRIA 8).

Lead Agency

Seattle Public Utilities, 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 review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for fourteen (14) days from the date below.

A copy of the environmental checklist is available at:

- Seattle Public Utilities, General Manager/CEO's Office Main Reception Area, Seattle Municipal Tower, Suite 4900, 700 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, Washington
- Seattle Central Library, Public Review Documents, Level 5 Reference
- Online at <http://www.seattle.gov/util/EnvironmentConservation/Projects/MeadowbrookPond/index.htm>

Public and Agency Comments

Comments on this DNS must be submitted by January 30, 2018 and must be sent to:

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Signature:


Betty Meyer

Issue Date: January 16, 2018

Appeals

Appeals of this DNS must be accompanied by an \$85.00 filing fee and must be filed by 5:00 p.m. on February 6, 2018. Delivery of appeals filed by any form of USPS mail service may be delayed by several days. Allow extra time if mailing an appeal.

- Written appeals must be sent to:
City of Seattle Hearing Examiner
700 5th Avenue Suite 4000
P.O. Box 94729
Seattle, WA 98124-4729
- Appeals can be filed electronically. Details on electronic filing procedures are available under "e-File" at the Office of the Hearing Examiner's web site: <http://www.seattle.gov/examiner/>
- Filing fees must be paid by the appeal deadline and can be paid *via* check (made payable to the City of Seattle) or credit/debit card (Visa and MasterCard only). Credit/debit card payments can be made in-person or over-the-phone.
- You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Please refer to the Hearing Examiner Rules of Practice and Procedure for rules that govern appeals. These rules are available on the Hearing Examiner's website at www.seattle.gov/examiner/rules-toc.htm or by calling 206-684-0521.

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