

**SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
NE 45TH STREET VIADUCT: WEST APPROACH REPLACEMENT PROJECT**

Description of proposal: The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) proposes to replace the west approach of the NE 45th Street Viaduct as part of the Bridging the Gap program approved by Seattle voters in 2006. Replacement activities involve encasing the existing wooden trestles within a mechanically stabilized solid wall structure and rebuilding NE 45th Street between 20th Avenue NE and the east end of the west approach. In order to rebuild NE 45th Street, the viaduct will be closed to all traffic between June and September 2010. In addition, the project will repave 22nd Avenue NE between NE 45th Street and NE 55th Street, and NE 55th Street between 22nd Avenue NE and 25th Avenue NE.

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

Location of proposal: The NE 45th Street Viaduct west approach begins at approximately 22nd Avenue NE and ends 468 feet to the east, near the Ravenna Avenue NE right-of-way, in Seattle.

SDOT has determined that this proposal 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. This information may be examined in the Seattle Department of Planning and Development Public Resource Center at 700 Fifth Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle. Documents are also available at the University Branch of the Seattle Public Library, 5009 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle.

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. February 8, 2010.**

Issue Date: January 25, 2010

SEPA Responsible Official: Grace Crunican, Director, SDOT



Signature

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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. February 16, 2010.** The appellant should be prepared to make specific factual objections. See SMC 25.05.680 A(2)(a)(ii) for SEPA appeal procedures.