Notice of Availability
SEPA DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Fremont Bridge Approach Replacement Project

Description of Proposal: The City of Seattle proposes to replace the sub-standards Fremont Bridge approaches to meet current design standards, seismically retrofit and strengthen the north approach off-ramp. Sidewalks and railing would also be replaced. The bridge itself would not be altered. The new approaches would be located at the same location as the existing structures. Submarine cables that provide power and communications would also be replaced. The City also proposes to remove and replace the existing Operations and Maintenance building located underneath the southern approach and to upgrade of the electrical and mechanical system, used for the bridge. A traffic mitigation plan is also a component of this project to fund, mostly, temporary improvements at selected intersections.

Proponent: Seattle Department of Transportation
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Seattle, WA 98124-4996

Location of Proposal, including street address, if any: The Fremont Bridge is located on the Ship Canal Bridge, north Seattle, adjacent to N 34th Street, address 3100 Fremont Avenue North. The Operations and Maintenance Shop is located underneath the Bridge, lying NE of intersection of 4th Ave N/Westlake Ave N, address 3200 Westlake Avenue, Seattle. Legal description: S 18-19, T25N, R04E.

Lead Agency: Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT)

SDOT 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)(e). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other related documents on file with the lead agency. This information may be examined at Seattle Public Utilities offices by contacting the Project Manager listed above.

This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the publication date below. Comments must be submitted by November 24, 2004.

Issue Date: November 10, 2004

Responsible Official: Grace Crunican, Director Seattle Department of Transportation

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Date 11/24

Represented by: Rob Gorman, Project Manager Telephone: (206) 233-7205

Any interested person may appeal the DNS by filing Notice of Appeal and a $50.00 filing fee with the Office of the Hearing Examiner, City Hearing Examiner:
1320 Alaska Building
618 Second Avenue,
Seattle, WA 98104

The appeal must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on 12/01/04.