

**Highland Park Detention Basin Slide Gate Replacement
SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)**

Description of Proposal

Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) owns and operates the Highland Park Detention Basin (Basin), a drainage facility located in an area of Seattle known as the West Duwamish Greenbelt. It was designed to capture flood flows from an unnamed stream that collects drainage from the slope above the facility. Sediments settle out in the Basin and flows continue downstream into a drainage system that ultimately discharges to the Duwamish Waterway.

Immediately upland from the Basin, the facility has an existing concrete headwall that is fitted with a manually operated slide gate assembly. Two corrugated metal pipes pass through the headwall: one is a 30-inch diameter pipe, and the other is an 18-inch diameter pipe. Under normal conditions, the manually operated slide gate covers the inlet to the 18-inch diameter pipe; and the unnamed stream flows toward the headwall, into the 30-inch diameter pipe, and then into the Basin. During Basin maintenance, the slide gate was designed to be manually raised from its normal position and used to close-off the 30-inch diameter pipe, allowing stream flows to bypass the Basin through the 18-inch diameter pipe. However, it is difficult to manually position the slide gate over the 30-inch diameter pipe. In practice, SPU crews raise the slide gate to open the 18-inch diameter pipe and use an inflatable dam to close-off the 30-inch diameter pipe.

To provide a more efficient operation, the proposed project would install two new metal slide gates. One gate would be positioned over the 18-inch diameter pipe; the second would be fitted on the headwall to close-off the 30-inch pipe as needed.

Proponent

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Location of Proposal

The Basin is a constructed drainage facility located in the watershed of the West Duwamish Waterway in the Highland Park neighborhood near the intersection of Highland Park Way Southwest and West Marginal Way Southwest in the City of Seattle, King County, Washington (zip 98106; Section 30, Township 24N, Range 04E). The project is in street right-of-way and has no street address.

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/Documents/index.htm>

Public and Agency Comments

Comments on this DNS must be submitted by February 20, 2018 and must be sent to:

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Issue Date: February 5, 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 26, 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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