



Notice of Availability and Hearing Draft Environmental Impact Statement Seattle Industrial & Maritime Strategy

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Description of proposal: Seattle’s industrial and maritime policies are more than 35-years old and during that time, the trends and technologies impacting industrial and maritime users have experienced significant change. To reflect those changes as part of a comprehensive strategy to strengthen and grow Seattle's industrial and maritime sectors for the future, the City of Seattle is studying a proposal to update its industrial and maritime policies and industrial zoning. The City has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) that studies four alternatives at a programmatic level, illustrating different potential futures for the city’s industrially-zoned lands. The four alternatives evaluate the effects of potential changes to Comprehensive Plan policies and changes to zoning to a future year of 2044. The first alternative is a No Action alternative that is required by SEPA and is a basis for comparison. The three Action Alternatives (alternatives 2, 3, and 4) all apply proposed “future of industry” land use concepts that are based on community input and intended to respond to issues, challenges, and opportunities for the maritime and industrial sectors and adjacent communities. The Draft EIS considers the impacts of the alternatives towards natural and biological resources and resiliency, environmental health and compatibility, working, living, and mobility, cultural and recreational resources, and public services and utilities. The Draft EIS provides mitigation measures for identified impacts, and summarizes whether there are significant unavoidable adverse impacts.

Location of Proposal: The proposal addresses all lands zoned Industrial General (IG1 and IG2) zones, the Industrial Commercial (IC) zone, and the Industrial Buffer (IB) zone and land within two Manufacturing Industrial Centers (MIC): Seattle’s Greater Duwamish Manufacturing and Industrial Center (Greater Duwamish MIC) and its Ballard Interbay North Manufacturing Industrial Center (BINMIC).

Proponent: City of Seattle Office of Planning & Community Development

Comment Period: The City of Seattle is requesting comments from citizens, agencies, tribes, and all interested parties on the Draft EIS from December 16, 2021 to January 31, 2022.

Comments are due by **5:00 PM, January 31, 2022**. All written comments should be directed to:

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Submission of comments by email is preferred.

Comments can also be offered at one of two virtual public hearings.

For Publication in the December 16 LUIB and DJC

- Public Hearing January 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.
- Public Hearing January 12, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

A link to these hearings can be found at: [Industrial and Maritime Strategy - OPCD | seattle.gov](https://www.seattle.gov/opcd/ongoing-initiatives/industrial-and-maritime-strategy)

Purchase/Availability of Draft EIS: The Draft EIS can be downloaded from the City of Seattle's website at <https://www.seattle.gov/opcd/ongoing-initiatives/industrial-and-maritime-strategy>. A hard copy, compact disk, or thumb drive are available for purchase at cost (see the agency contact person above to arrange)

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