

**SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)  
SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (SDOT)  
ADOPTION OF EXISTING DOCUMENT FOR THE  
S LANDER ST GRADE SEPERATION AND RAILWAY SAFETY PROJECT**

**Description of proposal:** The Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) proposes to build a bridge on S Lander St between 1st Ave S and 4th Ave S to provide a grade-separated crossing over the BNSF Railway's railroad tracks that will improve local traffic circulation and safety in the City's SODO neighborhood. S Lander St is an essential east-west corridor that is heavily used by freight and commuter traffic as well as pedestrians, bicycles, and transit. It serves one of the largest manufacturing and industrial centers in the state, including the Port of Seattle's seaport terminals. The street currently intersects with four BNSF tracks at an at-grade crossing located between Occidental Ave S and 3rd Ave S.

**Project Proponent and Lead Agency:** City of Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT)  
Seattle Municipal Tower  
700 Fifth Ave, Suite 3800  
P.O. Box 34966  
Seattle, WA 98124

**Location of proposal:** The project is located on S Lander St between 1st Ave S and 4th Ave S in the SODO neighborhood.

**Title of document being adopted:** S Lander St Grade Separation and Railway Safety Project Categorical Exclusion Worksheet

**Date adopted document was prepared:** February 6, 2017

**Description of document (or portion) being adopted:** The Categorical Exclusion Worksheet completed to satisfy the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is being adopted in its entirety.

**If the document being adopted has been challenged (WAC 197-11-630), please describe:** NA

The document is available to be read during normal business hours at the City of Seattle Central Library, 1000 Fourth Ave, Seattle and the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections Public Resource Center, 700 Fifth Ave, 20th Floor, Seattle. Electronic copies are available on the project website at: [http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/lander\\_bridge.htm](http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/lander_bridge.htm).

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 the completed Categorical Exclusion Worksheet and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on the proposal for 30 days from the date of issuance (May 11, 2017). **Comments must be submitted by 5:00 pm on May 25, 2017.**

We have identified and adopted this document as being appropriate for this proposal after independent review. The document meets our environmental review needs for the current proposal and will accompany the proposal to the decision maker.

**Name of agency adopting document:** SDOT

**SEPA Responsible Official:** Scott Kubly, Director

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Any interested person may appeal this DNS by submitting a Notice of Appeal and a \$85.00 filing fee to the Office of the Hearing Examiner located at 700 5th Avenue, Suite 4000, Seattle; mailing address: P.O. Box 94729, Seattle, WA 98124; telephone: (206) 684-0521. **The appeal must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. June 1, 2017.** The appellant should be prepared to make specific factual objections. See SMC 25.05.680 A(2)(a)(ii) for SEPA appeal procedures.