

**South Park Drainage and Roadway Partnership
SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)**

Description of Proposal

Due to low-lying topography and poor transportation and stormwater drainage infrastructure, the industrial area in the South Park neighborhood has experienced frequent flooding for decades. Most roads in this area are in poor condition and some are gravel-surfaced. Other roads have deteriorated paving and significant potholing.

The proposed project would construct street improvements, including paving (designed for industrial loads), sidewalks, lighting improvements, street trees, and landscaping. Drainage improvements include installation of curbs and gutters to direct runoff to catch basins and inlets that drain to a piped stormwater conveyance system. The conveyance system would drain to the South Park Pump Station and discharge to the Duwamish Waterway.

The project proposes full depth pavement replacement where the streets are currently paved and full roadway design and construction for streets that are currently gravel-surfaced. The project includes construction of Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps and all pavement markings.

Temporary construction easements may be required at driveways. Construction phasing and any improvements at King County Metro bus stops would be coordinated with Metro.

In addition to the road and drainage improvements, SPU proposes to take advantage of the roadway reconstruction to replace the 8-inch diameter cast iron water main in S Chicago St, between 5th Ave S and 8th Ave S, with 12-inch diameter earthquake-resistant ductile iron pipe.

Proponent

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Location of Proposal

The project is in Section 29, Township 24N, Range 4E, W.M., in the City of Seattle's South Park neighborhood, roughly bounded by 2nd Ave S, W Marginal Way (SR 99), S Monroe St, 8th Ave S, S Riverside Dr, and S Austin St. Most improvements would be in street rights-of-way; minor amounts of grading/paving would extend onto private property.

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 issuance date below.

A copy of the environmental checklist is available online at www.seattle.gov/util/southparkdrainage

Public and Agency Comments

Comments on this DNS must be submitted by July 13, 2020 and must be sent by email to:

Betty Meyer, SEPA Responsible Official
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Signature:

Issue Date: June 29, 2020

Appeals

Appeals of this DNS must be accompanied by an \$85.00 filing fee and must be filed by 5:00 p.m. on July 20, 2020. Please see the Office of the Hearing Examiner web site for Temporary Operating Rules During COVID-19: <http://www.seattle.gov/hearing-examiner>