

Kitsap County Department of Community Development

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Review for a Site-Specific Amendment to the 2016 Kitsap County Comprehensive Plan

Thursday, June 12, 2018

Steve Heacock SEPA Coordinator 619 Division Street, MS-36 Port Orchard, WA 98366

RE: Site-Specific Amendment 18-00431 (Ueland Tree Farm LLC)

Dear Mr. Heacock,

The Department of Community Development believes the information and analysis in existing environmental documents is adequate to make a new threshold determination for the proposed non-project action referenced above. Based on provisions in state law (RCW 43.21C.034, WAC 197-11-315(1)(b), and WAC 197-11-630) and existing environmental documents, a SEPA checklist was not prepared for the proposed site-specific amendment.

Background

A mineral resource development was proposed on the subject site and obtained a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) in 2007 via permit 07-44975. The environmental review for this CUP accounts for the currently proposed amendment in the following documents: 1) a SEPA threshold Determination of Significance and Scoping Notice issued by Kitsap County on June 23, 2008 for the site based on proposed mining activities 2) a draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) issued on February 27, 2009 and 3) a final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) issued in August of 2009. The FEIS can be downloaded at the following link: https://spf.kitsapgov.com/dcd/PEP%20Documents/Ueland%20FEIS 20whole.pdf

The applicant proposed a modification to the approved CUP in 2014 via permit 14-02844. The modification prompted the completion of a Supplemental EIS (SEIS). The County filed a Draft Supplemental EIS (DSEIS) with the Washington State Environmental Policy Act Register on June 19, 2015. The County issued a Final SEIS on August 4, 2015. A copy of the Final SEIS can be downloaded at the following link:

https://spf.kitsapgov.com/dcd/PEP%20Documents/Ueland_SFEIS_2015.pdf

Sincerely,

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