



SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS) OF PROPOSED ACTION Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) Tyee Pond Pipe Replacement

The Port of Seattle has completed an environmental analysis, including review of pertinent and available environmental information and preparation of a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Checklist for the Tyee Pond Pipe Replacement project.

Description of Proposed Project Action: Tyee Pond is a Regional Detention Facility (RDF) owned and operated by the Port of Seattle (Port) that serves the East Fork of Des Moines Creek from Bow Lake. The RDF and its flow control structure controls flows at the headwaters of Des Moines Creek and contains a 60- to 72-inch-diameter corrugated metal outfall pipe.

In December 2021, an assessment on a section of the corrugated metal outfall pipe that extends underground from the pond to East Fork Des Moines Creek was completed. The Pipe Assessment Report noted joint separation, deformation, and corrosion in the downstream pipe.

The Port proposes to follow the Pipe Assessment Report recommendation to replace the entire outfall pipe (414 linear feet) with a 72-inch-diameter precast reinforced concrete pipe. The pipe will be replaced within its existing footprint. After construction is complete, the project site will be restored to its original conditions.

Location of Proposed Action: Seattle-Tacoma International Airport,

17801 Pacific Highway South, Seattle, WA 98158

Lead Agency: Port of Seattle (SEPA File Number 2022-02)

Determination: The Port of Seattle has completed an environmental evaluation including review of the proposed Tyee Pond Pipe Replacement project, including review of pertinent and available environmental information, following the provisions of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) under Chapter 43.21C, Revised Code of Washington (RCW), Chapter 197-11, Washington Administrative Code (WAC), and Port Commission Resolution 3650, Port of Seattle SEPA Policies and Procedures.

On November 22, 2022 as lead agency, the Port of Seattle determined the proposed project would not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). Any action to set aside, enjoin, review, or otherwise challenge such action on the grounds of noncompliance with the provisions of Chapter 43.21C RCW (State Environmental Policy Act) shall be commenced within 21 days from the date of last newspaper publication of the notice or be barred. Port Commission Resolution 3650 contains the procedures for appealing a SEPA decision of the Port of Seattle.

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Supporting Information: Information used to reach this determination and applicable State laws and Port of Seattle policies, regulations, and procedures are available for public review at the Port of Seattle, Pier 69, Environment and Sustainability Department, Third Floor, 2711 Alaskan Way, Seattle or Sea-Tac Airport, Environment and Sustainability Department, Fifth Floor, 17801 Pacific Highway South, Seattle, WA 98158. The document is also available for review online at https://www.portseattle.org/environment/sepa-nepa.

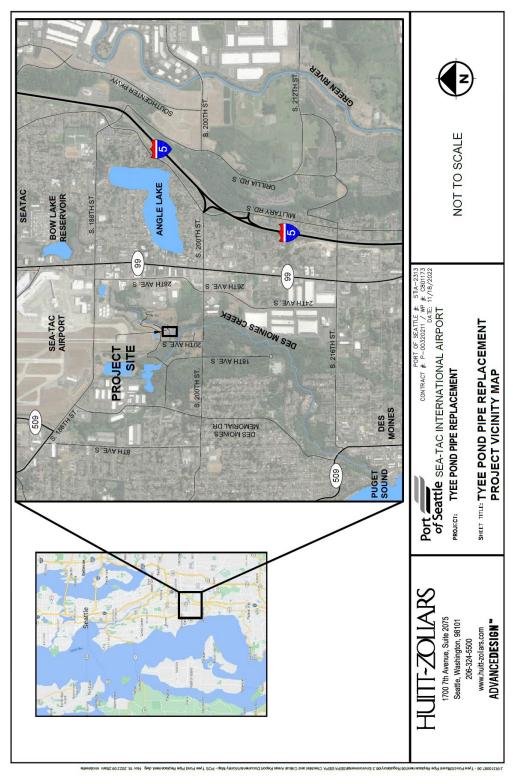
Public and Agency Comment: No action will be taken on the proposed project until after the 14-day public comment period expires on 4:00 PM on December 12, 2022, after which the Port will (1) formally adopt this Determination of Non-Significance; (2) clarify or review the proposal; or (3) complete additional environmental analyses, as appropriate. The Port will accept public and agency comments until 4:00 PM on December 12, 2022. Please refer any questions relating to this determination or to the proposed actions to Steve Rybolt, Port of Seattle, Aviation Environment and Sustainability Department, P.O. Box 68727, Seattle, Washington 98168. Telephone 206.787.5527. Email Rybolt.S@portseattle.org or the Port of Seattle electronic mail Internet address at SEPA@portseattle.org. Include your mailing address when submitting comments to the electronic Internet address.

Appeals: This SEPA DNS determination may be appealed by filing a writ of review in King County Superior Court within twenty-one (21) days of the date the Port formally adopts this determination pursuant to Port of Seattle Resolution No. 3650 and RCW 43.21C.080.

Sarah Cox

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Project Location and Vicinity



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