

## KITTTITAS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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### MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

**File:** SEPA Checklist (SE-22-00054)  
Casto SEPA Application

**Description:** The applicant, Devin Casto, is proposing to engineer and shore up a landslide and repair Palouse Road. The applicant intends to install a sheet pile wall so that the road can be rebuilt and then install a poured concrete retaining wall at the base of the landslide. This SEPA application is associated with Kittitas County Public Works Grading Permit GP-22-00013. The subject property is in a Rural 5 zoning district with a Rural Residential land use designation.

**Proponent:** Devin Casto  
561 Palouse Road  
Cle Elum, WA 98922

**Location:** 561 Palouse Road Cle Elum, WA 98922, Tax parcel number 953974. Lot 1 of the Walmer Short Plat. In Section 07, Township 19, Range 16 in Kittitas County.

**Lead Agency:** Kittitas County Community Development Services

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it will 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) and WAC 197-11. 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 or can be viewed at the Kittitas County Community Development Services website at: <http://www.co.kittitas.wa.us/cds/land-use/default.aspx> under "Miscellaneous SEPA Applications" using the file number "SE-22-00054 Casto."

The lead agency has determined that certain mitigation measures are necessary in order to issue a Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance (MDNS) for this proposal. Failure to comply with mitigation measures identified hereafter will result in the issuance of a Determination of Significance (DS) for this project. The mitigation measures include the following:

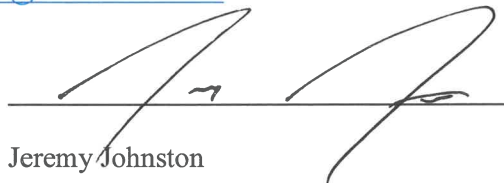
- 1) Any grading over 100 cubic yards of material requires a grading permit through Kittitas County Public Works. The applicant shall not grade until their grading permit is issued. The applicant has applied for a grading permit (GP-22-00013). All conditions in the approved grading permit shall be adhered to.
- 2) Kittitas County Public Works must inspect and approve all work done prior to additional work starting.
- 3) An approved access permit shall be required from the Kittitas County Department of Public Works prior to creating any new driveway access or altering an existing access. Refer to Chapter 12 of the Kittitas County Code for access requirements.
- 4) The deficient portion of Palouse Road will need to be recertified by a licensed professional engineer once construction has been completed.

- 5) Should ground disturbing or other activities related to the grading and clearing result in the inadvertent discovery of cultural or archaeological materials, work shall be stopped in the immediate area and contact be made with the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP). Work shall remain suspended until the find is assessed and appropriate consultation is conducted. Should human remains be inadvertently discovered, as dictated by Washington State RCW 27.44.055, work shall be immediately halted in the area and contact made with the coroner and local law enforcement in the most expeditious manner possible.

This MDNS is issued under WAC 197-11-355; the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 10 working days. Any action to set aside, enjoin, review, or otherwise challenge this administrative SEPA action on the grounds of noncompliance with the provisions of Chapter 43.21 RCW, shall be commenced on or before **August 3, 2022 at 5 pm.**

Questions or Comments regarding this determination can be directed to Jeremiah Cromie, (509) 962-7046, [jeremiah.cromie@co.kittitas.wa.us](mailto:jeremiah.cromie@co.kittitas.wa.us).

**Responsible  
Official:**



Jeremy Johnston

**Title:** Kittitas County CDS Planning Official

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**Date:** July 20, 2022

**Pursuant to Chapter 15A.07.010 KCC, this MDNS may be appealed by submitting specific factual objections in writing with a fee of \$1550.00 to the Kittitas County Community Development Services, 411 N Ruby St. Suite 2, Ellensburg WA 98926. Timely appeals must be received no later than 5:00pm, August 3, 2022. Aggrieved parties are encouraged to contact Community Development Services at (509) 962-7506 for more information on the appeal process.**