NOTICE OF SEPA ACTION

TO: Interested County Departments & Agencies with Jurisdiction

FROM: Jan Ollivier, Interim Planning Manager

DATE: October 14, 2010

SUBJECT: Kittitas County Eastern Washington Growth Hearings Board Decision Compliance – SEPA Environmental Review

Enclosed please find a final Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) for the referenced proposal. A copy of the submitted environmental checklist and related materials for this proposal were mailed to you for review on September 22, 2010 identifying a comment period through October 8, 2010. If you did not receive any of these documents, or require additional information, please contact our office.

If you have any questions, please contact Dan Valoff, Staff Planner at Community Development Services at (509) 962-7506. Please retain all enclosed materials.
Final Determination of Nonsignificance

Description of proposal
The Kittitas County Compliance on Eastern Washington Growth Management Hearings Board Decisions, Case No. 07-1-0004c, project is intended to address findings of the Eastern Washington Growth Management Hearings Board (EWGMHB), which issued an order of non-compliance with the GMA and a determination of invalidity of the County's Comprehensive Plan, remanding the Plan to the County for revisions. The proposal to address the EWGMHB decision in summary addresses:

- Snoqualmie Pass: New designation for former UGN area
- Vantage: New designation for former UGN area
- City of Kittitas UGA analysis: Boundary, land capacity, capital facilities assessments.

Proponent
Kittitas County

Location of proposal, including street address, if any
Elements of the proposal are countywide and some apply to particular study areas as follows:

- Kittitas County is located between the Cascade Mountains and the Columbia River; it borders Chelan County in the north, Douglas and Grant counties in the east, Yakima County in the south, and King County in the west.
- Snoqualmie Pass is located in the Cascade Mountains in western Kittitas County.
- Vantage is the easternmost community within the project area along I-90, just west of the Columbia River.
- The City of Kittitas UGA adjoins the incorporated City of Kittitas and extends south to the I-90 interchange.

Lead agency
Kittitas County

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 DNS is issued after using the optional DNS process in WAC 197-11-355. There is no further comment period on the DNS.

Responsible official

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Signature

There is no agency administrative appeal (KCC 15.04.210 and 15B.05.010).