



KITTITAS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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SHORELINE SUBSTANTIAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT EXEMPTION

APPLICANT NAME	PHONE	MAILING ADDRESS	CITY/STATE/ZIPCODE
Puget Sound Energy c/o: Dylan Marcus	206-716-2754	6500 Ursula Place South	Seattle, WA 98108

DEVELOPMENT SITE LOCATION

Cle Elum, WA 98922

Parcel #484235, 371836, 10248, 084235, 634235, 234235

Map #20-15-28040-0004

20-15-33010-0003

20-15-34058-0002

20-15-34020-0002

20-15-34020-0010

20-15-34020-0007

FLOODPLAIN/ShORELINE

Rural Conservancy/Urban Conservancy

FIRM #: 53037C0679D, 53037C0687D

WRIA 39

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant is proposing the replacement of a total of 8 transmission poles in shoreline jurisdiction. The existing poles have reached the end of their useful lifespan and are being replaced to update the energy infrastructure. This will make the energy infrastructure in the area more resilient to wildfires and potential outages.

THIS DEVELOPMENT IS EXEMPT PURSUANT TO WAC 173-27-040(2)(g), and KCC 17B.07.030(2)(g): A SHORELINE SUBSTANTIAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT IS NOT REQUIRED FOR THIS PROJECT.

THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE REQUIRED PURSUANT WAC 173-27:

1. All work shall substantially conform to the specifications of the site plan and application materials submitted to Kittitas County Community Development Services by Puget Sound Energy on July 3, 2024.
2. Issuance of this shoreline exemption permit does not authorize access onto private property or waive other jurisdictional agency requirements. The permittee shall obtain consent from respective property owner(s) prior to entering onto private property and shall obtain and comply with all applicable federal and state permit requirements in completing the proposed development.
3. Should ground disturbing or other activities related to the proposed project 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.
4. The applicants shall complete a Cultural Resources Assessment, and the results of this study shall be shared with the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP), as well as the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation and the Snoqualmie Tribe.
5. The applicants shall prepare an Inadvertent Discovery Plan (IDP) and shall notify any construction contractors of the procedures to be enacted if cultural resources are discovered during ground disturbing activities.
6. Issuance of this shoreline exemption will not create liability on the part of Kittitas County or any officer or employee thereof, for any on or off-site injury or damages that may result from this project.

CONSISTENCY ANALYSIS

A shoreline substantial development permit is not required for the project as described due to an exemption allowed pursuant to WAC 173-27-040(2)(g), KCC 17B.07.030(2)(g). Although exempted by statute/rule, such exempt developments must comply with all other regulatory requirements of the Shoreline Management Act and Kittitas County Shoreline Master Program.

- Nothing in these regulations shall obviate any requirement to obtain any permit, certificate, license, or approval from any state agency or local government (See Revised Code of Washington 90.58.360).
- The Development will comply with all applicable provisions of Kittitas County Code.
- All development shall take place outside the 115-foot buffer or more from the Ordinary High Water Mark.

Approved by: Zach Torrance-Smith, Planner I

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