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### AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**AGENDA DATE:** November 18, 2014

**ACTION REQUESTED:** Conduct the closed record meeting to consider the Hearing Examiner’s recommendation for the WSDOT I-90 Phase 2A Shoreline Substantial Development Permit (SD-14-00001)

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#### **BACKGROUND:**

WSDOT has submitted an application for a Shoreline Substantial Development permit (SD-14-00001) which is for Phase 2A of the Interstate 90 Snoqualmie Pass East project between MP 59.5 and MP 62. This project includes widening the interstate from two to three lanes in each direction, replacement of deteriorating pavement, rock slope stabilization/cuts, signage an upgrade illumination, installation and realignment of utilities, new chain up areas, new culverts, wildlife bridges/connectivity and restoration to critical areas. This proposal is located in a portion of Sections 1 & 12 of Township 21 N., Range 11 E., and Sections 10 & 15 of Township 21N, Range 12 E., W.M. in Kittitas County, Washington. More generally it is located near the southeastern end of Lake Keechelus to approximately exit 62 (MP 59.5 to MP 62) along Interstate 90.

A shoreline substantial development permit was submitted to Community Development Services on February 18, 2014 and was deemed complete on August 6, 2014. Affidavit of site posting in accordance with KCC 15A.03.110 was received by CDS on August 11, 2014. The Notice of Application was issued on September 2, 2014. This notice was published in the official county paper of record and was mailed to jurisdictional government agencies, adjacent property owners and other interested parties. The last day to submit written comments was on October 2, 2014. No comments were received on this proposal.

WSDOT acted as the lead agency for the SEPA/NEPA determination and issued an FEIS (Final Environmental Impact Statement) in August 2008 for the entire Interstate 90 Snoqualmie Pass Improvement project. A copy of the FEIS may be obtained from Kittitas County or Washington State Department of Transportation, South Central Region.

The Hearing Examiner hearing for the Shoreline Substantial Development Permit requests was held on October 9, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. There were no members of the public at the hearing. On October 20, 2014 the Hearing Examiner **recommended approval** of the WSDOT I-90 Phase 2A Shoreline Substantial Development Permit (SD-14-00001).

**INTERACTION:** CDS, Hearing Examiner, Board of County Commissioners

**ATTACHMENTS:** Hearing Examiner Recommendation

**STAFF**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends that the Kittitas County Board of County Commissioners conduct the closed record meeting, as scheduled, to consider accepting the Hearing Examiner's recommendation of approval of the WSDOT I-90 Phase 2A Shoreline Substantial Development Permit (SD-14-00001) and direct staff to prepare enabling documents based upon the decision of the Board.

**HANLDING:** Presentation to the Board by Kittitas County Community Development Services.

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