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State Environmental Policy Act MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

To: All Departments and Agencies with Jurisdiction

Subject: Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance

In accordance with Washington State Administrative Code (WAC) 197-11-350, a copy of the Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance (MDNS) for the project described below is transmitted.

Proponent: City of Ellensburg Energy Services Department

Proposal: Helena Avenue Substation

File Number: SE-12-00005

Description: A proposal to construct a 115KV Electrical Utility Substation with a fence to serve the Bonneville Power Administration transmission line along Helena Avenue.

Location: The subject property is located due east of 707 Helena Avenue, in the SW quarter of the SW quarter of Section 25 T.18N R18E, W.M. Kittitas County; map number 18-18-25030-0008.

Lead Agency: Kittitas County Community Development Services

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The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the proposal 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, after considering voluntary mitigation measures which the lead agency or the applicant will implement as part of the proposal, and after considering mitigation measures required by existing laws and regulations that will be implemented by the applicant as part of the Kittitas County permit process. The responsible official finds this information reasonably sufficient to evaluate the environmental impact of this proposal. This information is available to the public on request.

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

Findings of Fact:

Water

1. Storm water and surface runoff generated by this project shall be retained and treated on-site in accordance with regulating agencies standards.

Air

2. Measures shall be taken on the project site for the duration of construction to control blowing dust and dirt.

Light and Aesthetics

3. All outdoor lighting shall be shielded and directed downward to minimize the effect of artificial lighting.
4. Metal roofs with a reflective glare shall not be allowed.

Noise

5. Development and construction practices for this project shall only occur between the hours of 7:00am to 7:00pm to minimize the effect from construction noise.

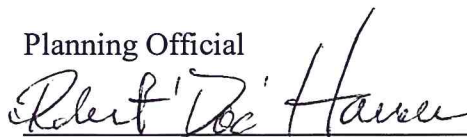
This Mitigated DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-35; the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days. Any person, affected tribe, or agency may submit comments to the lead agency within 14 days of the date of issuance of the MDNS. Kittitas County Community Development Services shall reconsider the MDNS based on timely comments and may retain or modify the MDNS or, if the responsible official determines that significant adverse impacts are likely, withdraw the MDNS or supporting documents. If the MDNS is modified, the lead agency will send the modified MDNS to agencies with jurisdiction. Any agency with jurisdiction over this proposal, upon review of this MDNS (WAC 197-11-340) may, within the fourteen (14) day comment period, transmit to the initial lead agency a completed "Notice of assumption of lead agency status."

Any action to set aside, enjoin, review, or otherwise challenge this administrative SEPA action's procedural compliance with the provisions of Chapter 197-11 WAC shall be commenced on or before **5:00 pm, May 3, 2013.**

Responsible Official: Robert "Doc" Hansen

Title: Planning Official

Signature:



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Comment Period Ends: 4/19/2013

Appeal Period Ends: 5/3/2013