# KITITIAS COUNTY

# KITTITAS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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# State Environmental Policy Act MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

**Description:** Kittitas County Fire District #7 is seeking a phased remodel and expansion of the

existing fire station at 21 Chepoda Road Cle Elum WA 98922.

**Proponent:** Kittitas County Fire District #7; Ray Risdon, Chief; David Schott, Architect.

**Location:** The project is located approximately 5 miles west of downtown Cle Elum at 21

Chepoda Road in a portion of Section 26 of Township 20N and Range 14E W.M.

Kittitas County.

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

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 SEPA 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 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 the mitigation measures identified hereafter will result in the issuance of a Determination of Significance (DS) for this project. The mitigation measures include the following:

#### General

All construction and development on site shall conform to Kittitas County Code Title 12 Roads and Bridges; Title 13 Water and Sewers; Title14.04 Building Code; Title 14.12 Fire Resistant/Retardent Standards; Title 17A Critical Areas; and Title 20 Fire and Life Safety

#### Earth

An NPDES Construction stormwater general permit is required if clearing, grading or excavating activities which disturb an area of 1 acre or more **and** will discharge stormwater to surface waters of the state or a conveyance system that drains to surface waters of the state. The permit is also required if clearing, grading or excavating activities disturb an area smaller than 1 acre if it is part of a "larger common plan of development or sale" that will disturb 1 acre or more **and** discharge

stormwater to surface waters of the state or a conveyance system that drains to surface waters of the state.

# **Transportation**

The approach into the property shall be constructed and designed to standards within the WSDOT Design manual, current edition, Chapter 1340 and Exhibit 1340-1. The design shall be approved by the County Engineer and WSDOT. Specific issues related to roadway and access construction will be addressed at project civil submittal with the WSDOT and/or Kittitas County.

# Air

If the applicant plans to burn trees or debris from the property, the applicant shall obtain a burn permit from the Department of Ecology. Only natural unprocessed vegetation may be burned in an outdoor fire. It is the applicant's responsibility to contact the Department of Ecology regarding this permit.

Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-400-040 requires that reasonable precautions be taken to prevent dust from leaving the project site. Additionally, dust is prohibited from interfering unreasonably with the use and enjoyment of property, causing health impacts or damaging property or business. As a result, the applicant shall be responsible for creating a site-specific Fugitive Dust Control Plan (FDCP) before starting this project. The plan shall be followed throughout the duration of any activity and construction of the project.

#### Water

The subject property contains areas designated on FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map panel 5300950241B as having a 1% or greater annual chance of flooding. Any development within these areas shall be subject to all applicable Federal, State, and County regulation. Kittitas County flood damage prevention code (KCC Chapter 17A.05 & 14.08) requires any development within this area to obtain a permit. Flood insurance may be required for any structures on the subject properties.

This property is within the boundaries of the KRD and may contain irrigable ground. The applicant will need to comply with the requirements set forth in the KRD General Guidelines.

Withdrawals of groundwater on the subject property will be subject to the rules and regulations adopted and administrated by the Washington State Department of Ecology.

# Water Run-off

On-site stormwater management that conforms to the specifications of the most current version of the Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington is required of this development. Stormwater systems shall be designed to store stormwater generated by a 24-hour, 25-year storm event. Stormwater system designs shall be prepared and stamped by a civil engineer licensed in the State of Washington. The stormwater system design shall be presented to Public Works and approved by the County Engineer prior to issuance of a building permit. The stormwater system construction shall be certified by a licensed engineer. The certification is required prior to the

issuance of an occupancy permit. Stormwater and irrigation conveyance systems shall be kept separate.

# **Historic and Cultural Preservation**

Should ground disturbing or other activities related to the proposed short plat 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 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.

#### **Plants**

Per RCW 17.10.140 Landowners are responsible for controlling and preventing the spread of noxious weeds. Accordingly, the Kittitas County Noxious Weed Board recommends immediate reseeding of areas disturbed by development to preclude the proliferation of noxious weeds.

# **Light**

All outdoor lighting shall be shielded and directed downward to minimize the effect to nearby residential properties.

# **Noise**

Development and construction practices during building of this shall only occur between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Responsible
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Comment Period Closes April 25, 2014

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 the building permitting and construction process, and after considering mitigation measures required by existing laws and regulations that will be implemented by the applicant as part of the Kittitas County 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.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-350; 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 DNS. Kittitas County Community Development Services shall reconsider the DNS based on timely comments and may retain or modify the DNS or, if the responsible official determines that significant adverse impacts are likely, withdraw the DNS or supporting documents. If the DNS is modified, the lead agency will send the modified DNS to agencies with jurisdiction. Any agency with jurisdiction over this proposal, upon review of this DNS (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."