



SEPA Threshold Determination

Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) – September 13, 2018
Amendments to the Capital Facilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan

Description of proposal:

The Department of Community Development Department is proposing amendments to the Capital Facilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan. The purpose of the amendments is to clarify that school district Capital Facilities Plans are incorporated by reference into the Comprehensive Plan, meaning that the most recent versions of the school districts' Capital Facilities Plans adopted by the City Council are considered to be part of the Comprehensive Plan. This will allow the City to more easily approve the school districts' annually updated school impact fees, which the City collects on the districts' behalf.

Proponent: City of Sammamish, Community Development Department

Location of proposal: The proposed amendments will apply only within the corporate boundaries of the City.

Lead agency: City of Sammamish, Department of Community Development

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 under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted in writing and received by the deadline described below. Pursuant to SMC 20.15.130 there is no administrative appeal process for this action.

Further information is available at:

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Department of Community Development
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Sammamish, WA 98075
By phone at (425) 295-0500 and on the web at: www.sammamish.us

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Date of issuance: September 13, 2018

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Responsible Official Signature Date

You may comment on this determination. Send comments to:

SEPA Responsible Official
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Deadline: Comments must be received at the address above by September 27, 2018 at 5pm, per SMC 20.15.070.



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SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

Note: Department of Community Development comments in red text boxes. Comments provided by Miryam Laytner on 09/11/18.

Purpose of checklist:

Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

Instructions for applicants:

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. You may use "not applicable" or "does not apply" only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown. You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Instructions for Lead Agencies:

Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

Use of checklist for non-project proposals: [\[help\]](#)

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B plus the [SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NON-PROJECT ACTIONS \(part D\)](#). Please completely answer all questions that apply and note that the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proponent," and "affected geographic area," respectively. The lead agency may exclude (for non-projects) questions in Part B - Environmental Elements –that do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

A. Background [\[help\]](#)

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable: Amendments to the Capital Facilities Element of the Sammamish Comprehensive Plan.

2. Name of applicant: City of Sammamish

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

David Goodman, 425-295-0534, 801 228th Ave SE, Sammamish, WA 98075

4. Date checklist prepared: September 10, 2018

5. Agency requesting checklist: City of Sammamish, Department of Community Development

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

The proposed amendments to the Capital Facilities Element of the Sammamish Comprehensive Plan are anticipated to be presented to the City Council on October 1, 2018. A public hearing is scheduled for October 2, 2018. An ordinance adopting all Comprehensive Plan amendments is scheduled to be presented to City Council for adoption on December 4, 2018.

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.

There are no plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal.

This SEPA checklist evaluates the potential significant adverse impacts to the environment resulting from the adoption of the proposed amendments to the City's Comprehensive Plan.

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

- SEPA DNS for Sammamish Comprehensive Plan Update, January 22, 2015
- Final EIS for Sammamish Comprehensive Plan, 2003.

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.

No known other government approvals are pending.

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

Legislative approval by the City of Sammamish City Council and review by the Department of Commerce are required for this proposal.

11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)

The proposed action is the adoption of amendments to the Capital Facilities Element of the Comprehensive Plan to streamline the process of adopting school districts' Capital Facilities Plans.

12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist.

The City of Sammamish is located in east King County, immediately adjacent to the eastern shore of Lake Sammamish. Neighboring jurisdictions include the City of Redmond to the north, City of Issaquah to the south and unincorporated King County to the northeast, east and southeast. The city encompasses 21.5 square miles, including both land and water area. The proposed amendments are not tied to a physical location.

B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

1. Earth

- a. General description of the site:

(circle one): Flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. Most of the city is hilly, but contains a range of terrain, including flat, rolling and steep slopes. The city sits at a higher elevation compared to the surrounding area, with steep slopes along its western edge and a gradual slope along the northern border leading down to the plateau.

- b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. There are slopes along creek ravines of roughly 55%. The slopes on western portion of the city are roughly 45%.

- c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils.

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. *According to the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Web Soil Survey, soil types in Sammamish include:*

- Alderwood Gravelly Sandy Loam
- Everett Gravelly Sandy Loam
- Kitsap Silt Loam
- Neilton Very Gravelly Loamy Sand
- Seattle Muck
- Shalcar Muck

The western slopes contain primarily Alderwood and Kitsap soils, with Alderwood and Everett gravelly sandy loam dominating the eastern portion of the city with pockets of muck throughout.

- d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. Steeps slopes and Landslide Hazard Areas exist along western portion of the city. There is a history of previous slopes failures on northern edge of Lake Sammamish

- e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. As a non-project action, the proposal does not propose any fill or grading. Future project-specific development proposals in the city that may include fill or grading will be reviewed consistent with applicable provisions of the SMC and SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC).

- f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. As a non-project action, the proposal does not propose any fill or grading. Future project-specific development proposals in the city that may include fill or grading will be reviewed consistent with applicable provisions of the SMC and SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC).

- g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)? [\[help\]](#)

No construction is proposed and no site is associated with this non-project action. Any development-related land use action will have the option to follow the City of Sammamish's low-impact development regulations (Chapter 21A.85 SMC) and will be subject to the City's Surface Water management program (Chapter 13.25 SMC), which include provisions for stormwater and surface water management.

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any: [\[help\]](#)

No construction is proposed and no site is associated with this non-project action. Any development-related land use action will be subject to the City of Sammamish's clearing and grading regulations (Chapter 16.15 SMC), which include provisions to reduce and control erosion.

2. Air

- a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.

As a non-project action, the proposal will not directly result in impacts to air quality. Future project-specific development proposals could impact air quality through construction and development activities, increased traffic due to population and employment growth and increased residential wood-burning in new homes. Project-specific proposals would be reviewed consistent with the applicable provisions of the SMC and the City of Sammamish SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC).

- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. All future construction actions will be regulated pursuant to the City of Sammamish’s Construction Code (Chapter 16.05 SMC).

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:

No measures to reduce or control emissions are included in this non-project action. Future actions will be regulated pursuant to the City of Sammamish’s Construction Code (Chapter 16.05 SMC).

3. Water [\[help\]](#)

- a. Surface Water:

- 1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.

The City of Sammamish is located within the Cedar River Basin. Much of the city is located within the East Lake Sammamish sub-basin, with many streams and wetlands flowing towards Lake Sammamish. The northeastern portion of the city drains to the Evans Creek sub-basin. The city’s urban growth area also includes the North Fork Issaquah Creek sub-basin, also within the Cedar River Basin.

There are numerous wetlands (greater than 100) known to be located within the city, some are very high quality and high functioning wetlands, including several wetlands (approximately 13) that contain a bog ecosystem.

The following shorelines of the state are located within the East Lake Sammamish sub-basin in the City of Sammamish:

- Lake Sammamish
- Pine Lake

- Beaver Lake

The following streams are located within East Lake Sammamish sub-basin in the City of Sammamish:

- Ebright Creek (WRIA 0149) (Salmon bearing)
- Pine Lake Creek (WRIA 0152) (Salmon bearing)
- Laughing Jacobs Creek (Salmon bearing)
- Laughing Jacobs Lake (WRIA 0166) (Salmon bearing)
- George Davis Creek (WRIA 0144) (Salmon bearing)
- Zaccuse Creek (WRIA 0145) (Salmon bearing)
- Kanim Creek (WRIA 0153) (Salmon bearing)
- Many Springs Creek (WRIA 0164) (Salmon bearing)
- Numerous (approximately 20 to 30) unnamed streams that flow to Lake Sammamish, some support limited salmonid use.
- Several (approximately 5 to 10) unnamed streams that flow to Pine Lake or Beaver Lake, and eventually to Lake Sammamish. Some of these streams support limited salmonid use.

In addition, several (approximately 5 to 10) unnamed streams are present in Sammamish that flow to Evans Creek in the Evans Creek sub-basin, and a few (2 to 5) streams are located in the north fork Issaquah Creek sub-basin within the city's urban growth boundaries. Salmonid use of several of these streams is either documented or assumed.

2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans.

As a non-project action, the proposal will not require work over, in or adjacent to any surface water bodies. Future project-specific development proposals that may require work over, in or adjacent to surface water bodies would be reviewed consistent with the applicable provisions of the SMC, including SMC Title 25 Shoreline Management and the City of Sammamish SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC).

3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material.

As a non-project action, the proposal will not require work over, in or adjacent to any surface water bodies. Future project-specific development proposals that may require work over, in or adjacent to surface water bodies would be reviewed consistent with the applicable provisions of the SMC, including SMC Title 25 Shoreline Management and the City of Sammamish SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC).

4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

As a non-project action, the proposal will not require work over, in or adjacent to any surface water bodies. Future project-specific development proposals that may require work over, in or adjacent to surface water bodies would be reviewed consistent with the applicable provisions of

the SMC, including SMC Title 25 Shoreline Management and the City of Sammamish SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC).

5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. The entire eastern shore of Lake Sammamish is in the 100-year floodplain along Lake Sammamish, which in some areas extends as far east as East Lake Sammamish Parkway. There is a base flood elevation of 33 feet (NGVD) above sea level for Lake Sammamish.

6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge. [\[help\]](#)

No, this non-project proposal does not involve any discharges of waste materials into surface waters. Future actions involving discharges of waste materials into surface waters will be regulated by the City's Surface Water Management Program (Chapter 13.25 SMC) and Water Quality regulations (Chapter 13.30 SMC).

b. Ground Water:

1) Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

No groundwater will be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes as part of this non-project action. Future actions involving the withdrawal of groundwater from a well for drinking water or other purposes will be regulated by the City's Water Quality regulations (Chapter 13.30 SMC).

2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals. . . ; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.

This is a non-project action that will not involve waste material discharge into the ground from septic tanks or other sources. Future actions involving waste material discharge into the ground from septic tanks or other sources will be regulated by the City's Water Quality regulations (Chapter 13.30 SMC).

c. Water runoff (including stormwater):

1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.

No surface water runoff will be generated by this non-project action. In the event of future land use development, projects will be required to adhere to the Sammamish Municipal Code's Stormwater Management regulations (Chapter 13.25 SMC).

2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

No waste material will enter ground or surface waters as a result of this non-project action. In the event of future land use development, projects will be required to adhere to the Sammamish Municipal Code's Stormwater Management regulations (Chapter 13.25 SMC).

3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe. [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. In the event of future land use development, projects will be required to adhere to the Sammamish Municipal Code's Stormwater Management regulations (Chapter 13.25 SMC).

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

This non-project action does not include measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water or drainage patterns. In the event of future land use development, projects will be required to adhere to the Sammamish Municipal Code's Stormwater Management regulations (Chapter 13.25 SMC).

4. Plants [\[help\]](#)

a. Check the types of vegetation found on the site: [\[help\]](#)

- deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other
- evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other
- shrubs
- grass
- pasture
- crop or grain
- Orchards, vineyards or other permanent crops.
- wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other
- water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other
- other types of vegetation

There is no site associated with this proposal. However, all types of vegetation listed below are found in the city.

- deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, cottonwood, Pacific dogwood, ash, poplar, willow, crabapple, cascara, bitter cherry, birch, and other
- evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, spruce, hemlock, Pacific madrone, and other
- shrubs: rose, hazelnut, hawthorn, hawthorn, devil's club, huckleberry, kinnikinnick, Labrador tea, oceanspray, osoberry, ninebark, rhododendron, elderberry, red-flowering

currant, red-osier dogwood, salal, Oregon grape, salmonberry, snowberry, serviceberry, thimbleberry, twinberry, bog-laurel, bog-rosemary, and other

- grass
- pasture
- wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, horsetail, various sedge and rush species, and other
- water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, bogbean, smartweed, bur-reed, and other
- other types of vegetation including but not limited to ferns, mosses, and lichens

b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered? [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. In the event of future land use development, projects will be required to adhere to the Sammamish Municipal Code’s tree (Chapter 21A.37 SMC) and low-impact development (Chapter 21A.85 SMC) regulations. Future project specific development proposals within the city that may result in impacts to vegetation would be reviewed consistent with the applicable provisions of the SMC and City of Sammamish SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC)

c. List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site. [\[help\]](#)

There are no known threatened or endangered plant species in the city.

d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any: [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action does not propose any landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation. In the event of future land use development, projects will be required to adhere to the Sammamish Municipal Code’s tree (Chapter 21A.37 SMC) and low-impact development (Chapter 21A.85 SMC) regulations.

e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. However, invasive plant species include Himalayan blackberry, Evergreen blackberry, fragrant water lily, ivy, holly, laurel, and Japanese knotweed. Noxious weeds are identified as any weed identified in the King County noxious weed list.

5. Animals [\[help\]](#)

a. List any birds and other animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site. [\[help\]](#)

Examples include:

birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:

mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:

fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other _____

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal. However, all of the birds and animals listed below are known to be on or near the city.

- hawks, heron, eagle, songbirds, woodpeckers, owls, and other:

- deer, bear, cougar, bobcat, coyote, beaver, raccoon, rabbit, squirrel, opossum, river otter, muskrat, and other:
- bass, salmon, trout, crayfish, frogs, salamanders, snakes

b. List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site. [\[help\]](#)

- Resident Coastal Cutthroat
- Winter Steelhead
- Coho
- Townsend's Big-eared Bat
- Fall Chinook
- Kokanee

c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain. [\[help\]](#)

Some anadromous salmonid species and some migrating waterfowl are found within Sammamish.

d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any:

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal.

e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site. [\[help\]](#)

There are no confirmed invasive animal species in the city but likely there are bullfrog (*Rana catesbeiana*) present.

6. Energy and Natural Resources [\[help\]](#)

- a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal.

b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties?

If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal.

c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal?

List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable – no site is associated with this proposal.

7. Environmental Health [\[help\]](#)

- a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so, describe.

As a non-project action, the proposal is not expected to cause environmental health hazards. Use of any hazardous materials on a project-by-project basis would be subject to the requirements of federal and state law.

- 1) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.

There are no known contamination sites in Sammamish. Possible contamination may be present at commercial sites that use hazardous materials, such as dry-cleaning establishments or gas stations.

- 2) Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity. [\[help\]](#)

There are no known contamination sites in Sammamish. Possible contamination may be present at commercial sites that use hazardous materials, such as dry cleaning establishments or gas stations.

- 3) Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project. [\[help\]](#)

There are no known contamination sites in Sammamish. Possible contamination may be present at commercial sites that use hazardous materials, such as dry cleaning establishments or gas stations.

- 4) Describe special emergency services that might be required. [\[help\]](#)

No special emergency services are required for this non-project action. The need for future project-specific emergency services to serve new development would be made on a case-by-case basis.

- 5) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any: [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action does not include proposals designed to reduce or control environmental health hazards. Any future development will be subject to appropriate controls to abate health hazards.

b. Noise [\[help\]](#)

- 1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?

Types of noise in the city include noise levels typical to a suburban/urban area, including noise of traffic; schools, including special events; construction noise; and mechanical equipment.

2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site. [\[help\]](#)

As a non-project action, the proposal will not directly result in noise impacts. Future project specific development proposals within the city that may result in noise impacts would be reviewed consistent with the applicable provisions of the SMC and SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC).

3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action does not include proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts.

8. Land and Shoreline Use [\[help\]](#)

a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe. [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses as a result of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use? [\[help\]](#)

Historically, before incorporation, areas within the city were used for farming and forestry. Farming has been small scale, and today there are no major agricultural uses within the city limits. Forestry uses largely ended by the 1930s. The city does not contain any agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance.

1) Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how: [\[help\]](#)

The proposal is entirely contained within the City of Sammamish and does not adjoin any designated agricultural or forest areas. No impacts to farm or forest land normal business operations are anticipated.

c. Describe any structures on the site. [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what? [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site? [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site? [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site? [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

i. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify. [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project? [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace? [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

L. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any: [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

m. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with nearby agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any: [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

9. **Housing** [\[help\]](#)

- a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action will not provide any new housing units.

- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action will not eliminate any new housing units.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable; this non-project action will not result in any housing impacts.

10. Aesthetics [\[help\]](#)

- a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed? [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable; no new structures are proposed as part of this non-project action. Future development will be regulated by the Sammamish's Municipal Code (various chapters).

- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed? [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable – no views will be altered or obstructed as part of this non-project action.

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable – no impacts to aesthetics will be created as part of this non-project action.

11. Light and Glare [\[help\]](#)

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur? [\[help\]](#)

The proposal is a non-project action that will not produce light or glare. Future project-specific development would likely result in light and glare typical to suburban/urban residential and commercial areas.

- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views? [\[help\]](#)

The proposal is a non-project action that will not produce light or glare. Future project-specific development would likely result in light and glare typical to suburban/urban residential and commercial areas.

- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal? [\[help\]](#)

The proposal is a non-project action that will not produce light or glare. Future project-specific development would likely result in light and glare typical to suburban/urban residential and commercial areas.

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

The proposal is a non-project action that will not produce light or glare. Future project-specific development would likely result in light and glare typical to suburban/urban residential and commercial areas.

12. Recreation [\[help\]](#)

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity? [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe. [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any: [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

13. Historic and cultural preservation [\[help\]](#)

- a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers located on or near the site? If so, specifically describe. [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action is not associated with any site.

- b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources. [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site. However, professional studies conducted on a project-by-project basis have found evidence of cultural importance in Sammamish

c. Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc. [\[help\]](#)

- King County Historic Resource Inventory 2012
- WISAARD Washington Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) database
- King County and Local Landmarks List, Technical Paper No. 6
- SEPA notice is distributed for individual projects.

d. Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required. [\[help\]](#)

Future project-specific development proposals within the city that may result in impacts to historic resources would be reviewed consistent with applicable provisions of the SMC and SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC) to identify potential environmental impacts and applicable mitigating measures.

14. **Transportation** [\[help\]](#)

a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any. [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site.

b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop? [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site.

c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate? [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site. Future project-specific development proposals within the city that may result in impacts would be reviewed consistent with applicable provisions of the SMC and SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC) to identify potential environmental impacts and applicable mitigating measures

c. Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site. Future project-specific development proposals within the city that may result in impacts would be reviewed consistent

with applicable provisions of the SMC and SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC) to identify potential environmental impacts and applicable mitigating measures

- e. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site.

- f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and no passenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates? [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site. Future project-specific development proposals within the city that may result in impacts to the road network would be reviewed consistent with applicable provisions of the SMC and SEPA procedures (Chapter 20.15 SMC) to identify potential environmental impacts and applicable mitigating measures

- g. Will the proposal interfere with, affect or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site.

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site.

15. Public Services [\[help\]](#)

- a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

This non-project action will not result in an increased need for public services. The purpose of the Capital Facilities Element is to help the City anticipate future public service needs.

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any. [\[help\]](#)

This non-project proposal does not include measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services.

16. Utilities [\[help\]](#)

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site: [\[help\]](#)
electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system,
Other _____

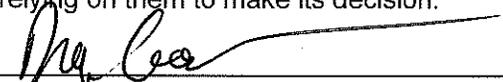
Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site. All utilities are available in the City.

- b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site.

C. Signature [\[help\]](#)

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature: 

Name of signee: David Goodman

Position and Agency/Organization: City of Sammamish

Date Submitted: September 11, 2018

D. Supplemental sheet for non-project actions [\[help\]](#)

(IT IS NOT NECESSARY to use this sheet for project actions)

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?

This non-project action will not to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

Not applicable - this non-project action is not associated with any site.

2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?

This non-project action will not affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life.

Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:

Not applicable, this non-project action will not affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life.

3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?

This non-project action will not deplete energy or natural resources.

Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:

Not applicable, this non-project action will not deplete energy or natural resources.

4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection; such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?

Not applicable, this non-project action will not use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection; such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands.

Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:

Not applicable, this non-project action will not affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection; such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands.

5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?

Not applicable, this non-project action will not affect land and shoreline use or allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:

Not applicable, this non-project action will not affect land and shoreline use or allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans.

6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?

Not applicable, this non-project action will not increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities.

Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:

Not applicable, this non-project action will not increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities.

7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

Not applicable, this proposal will not conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.