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SEPA Addendum to the Programmatic Determination of Nonsignificance for the update to Kitsap Countywide Planning Policies

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TO: Recipients of the Programmatic DNS for update to the CPPs

Environmental document added to or modified by this Addendum:

The Kitsap County Department of Community of Development is issuing this State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Addendum to the August 17, 2020 SEPA Programmatic (non-project) Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) for the update to the Countywide Planning Policies (CPPs).

Addendum process:

Kitsap County is sending this Addendum to the recipients of the Programmatic DNS. However, there is no comment or appeal period for this Addendum. The comment period previously occurred with the SEPA Programmatic DNS determination, and there is no administrative appeal period under chapter 21.04 KCC.

This Addendum has been prepared in compliance with SEPA (RCW 43.21(C)), the SEPA Rules (WAC 197-11), including WAC 197-11-625, and chapter 18.04 Kitsap County Code, which implements SEPA in Kitsap County procedures.

Proposal:

The CPPs are the framework for growth in Kitsap County under the Washington State Growth Management Act and the VISON 2050 Multicounty Planning Policies (MPPs) as adopted by the Puget Sound Regional Council in 2020. The comprehensive plan for Kitsap County and city comprehensive plans are to be developed from the framework that the CPPs create.

The CPPs are being updated to ensure consistency with PSRC’s Vision 2050 and recent changes in state law and will reflect a number of changes to the regional policy framework and newly identified priorities. This is the first step towards changes needed in advance of the 2024 periodic update of comprehensive plans. A second step to update the CPPs with new growth targets from PSRC’s Vision 2050 and allocations following data released from the Washington State Office of Financial Management. Additionally, the adoption of the current updates to the CPPs will occur in a series of legislative actions, with first the County adoption and then ratification by the cities.

Addendum:

This Addendum functions to incorporate by reference the March 18, 2020 Final Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (FSEIS) prepared for PSRC’s Vision 2050. While the DNS was based in part on the FSEIS, there was not a clear incorporation of it in the August 17, 2021

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determination. This Addendum also clarifies that the threshold determination for the CPP update is part of phased process under WAC 197-11-060(5) and WAC 197-11-228. The CPPs guide the adoption of comprehensive plans, which in turn govern the adoption of development regulations, which then govern project approvals. Each of these GMA actions will receive additional SEPA review building off the analysis conducted herein.

This Addendum does not change the analysis of significant impacts and alternatives in the adopted environmental documents. Therefore, no changes to the Determination of Significance or a different threshold determination is required.

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