

# SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

## ***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 nonproject proposals:***

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B plus the [SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT 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:

Town of Coupeville Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Periodic Review

2. Name of applicant:

Town of Coupeville

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

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4. Date checklist prepared:

August 16, 2021

5. Agency requesting checklist:

Department of Ecology

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

Updates to the Town of Coupeville Shoreline Master Program (SMP) will be completed sometime between late fall and early winter of 2021.

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

This is a non-project action proposal. The Town is updating the policies and regulations of its SMP to ensure consistency with related state and town policies and regulations. Site-specific applications for development within shoreline jurisdiction are considered separate actions and will be reviewed for compliance with the SMP at the time of application.

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

Shoreline Master Program Periodic Checklist, prepared by the Watershed Company, May 12, 2021.

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.

This is a non-project action. Pending property specific development applications deemed complete by Town staff are vested to the current policies and regulations of the SMP.

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

The Town of Coupeville and the Washington State Department of Ecology must approve the changes to the SMP prior to the adoption of 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.)

This is a non-project action. Proposed policies and regulations to the Town's Shoreline Master Program are applied to identified shoreline jurisdiction within the Town of Coupeville. The project area is the shoreline jurisdiction within Town limits. A summary of planned regulatory changes include:

- Updating the SMP to ensure consistency with changes in policy and regulation affecting shoreline management made by the state legislature since 2008, when the SMP was last updated. These changes are outlined in the Washington State Department of Ecology SMP Periodic Update checklist;
- Reviewing the Town's SMP Critical Area Regulations for consistency with the Town's GMA Critical Area Regulations.
- Evaluating consistency of the Town's current SMP with both the Comprehensive Plan and Development Code regulations.

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 location of this proposal is a 2.4-mile long stretch of marine shoreline along Penn Cove, and all land within 200 feet landward of the ordinary high-water mark (OHWM), plus associated wetlands, within Town limits.

## **B. Environmental Elements** [\[HELP\]](#)

### **1. Earth** [\[help\]](#)

a. General description of the site:

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

## 2. Air [\[help\]](#)

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

- a. Surface Water: [\[help\]](#)

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action. Regulated shorelines are limited to a stretch of marine shoreline along Penn Cove.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

b. Ground Water: [\[help\]](#)

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action. The existing SMP includes measures to control surface, ground and runoff water impacts.

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

- a. Check the types of vegetation found on the site:

- 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

A variety of vegetation can be found in the shoreline jurisdiction area, including deciduous and evergreen trees, shrubs, and grass.

- b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- c. List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

## 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.

Examples include:

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

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

fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other \_\_\_\_\_

A variety of birds, mammals, and fish are known to have habitat within shoreline jurisdiction.

- b. List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.

The Town of Coupeville is located within the Pacific Flyway migration route utilized by waterfowl migrating north into Alaska and northern Canada. The Pacific Flyway extends from Mexico to Canada and Alaska.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

## 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

## **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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 4) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 5) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

### **b. Noise**

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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.



N/A, this is a non-project action.

3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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.

Land uses within shoreline jurisdiction include commercial, mixed use, residential, and public.

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?

This is a non-project action. There are no working farmlands or forest lands in SMP jurisdiction.

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:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

c. Describe any structures on the site.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

The zoning classification within shoreline jurisdiction includes Historic/Limited Commercial District (HLC), Medium Density Residential District (RM-9600), High Density Residential district (RH), Low Density Residential (LDR), Town Commercial (TC), and Public/Quasi-Public (P).

f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?

The Comprehensive Plan designation within shoreline jurisdiction includes Historic/Limited Commercial District (HLC), Medium Density Residential District (RM-9600), High Density Residential district (RH), Low Density Residential (LDR), Town Commercial (TC), and Public/Quasi-Public (P).

g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?

The current Shoreline Environment Designations are Historic Urban, Urban Conservancy, Urban Aquatic, and Aquatic.

h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.

Yes, areas within the Town's shoreline jurisdiction have been classified as critical areas, namely FEMA Flood Zones, and unstable slopes, as mapped by the Island County Critical Areas Interactive Map. Approximate locations of critical area classifications in the Town, including in shoreline jurisdiction, can be found here: <https://islandcountygis.maps.arcgis.com/home/index.html>.

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:

Town staff have reviewed the draft amendments in consideration of other adopted or approved town plans, such as the Comprehensive Plan. In addition, the Washington State Department of Ecology must approve Shoreline Master Plans, which help ensure the plan is consistent with the Shoreline Management Act.

m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

- a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

**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?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:

N/A, this is a 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?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

Public recreational opportunities within shoreline jurisdiction include Captain Coupe's Park and Boat Launch, the Coupeville Wharf, and Coupeville Town Park.

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

## **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? If so, specifically describe.

According to the Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) WISAARD map, the entire Town of Coupeville, including shoreline jurisdiction, is within the Central Whidbey Island Historic District. The historic district includes several registered buildings and barns that are over 45-years old.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project proposal. However, Native American families including those of the Swinomish, Lower Skagit, Suquamish, and Snohomish Tribes, have historically inhabited the area. As such, there may be evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance within shoreline jurisdiction.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action, which would not result in impacts to cultural and historic resources.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action. Development that is authorized consistent with the Town's SMP will be required to comply with Town, State, and Federal requirements regarding cultural preservation.

#### **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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- d. 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).

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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 nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

N/A, this is a non-project action.

**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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

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

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site:  
electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system,  
other \_\_\_\_\_

N/A, this is a non-project action.

- 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.

N/A, this is a non-project action.

**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: Donna Keeler

Position and Agency/Organization: Planning Director, Town of Coupeville, WA

Date Submitted: August 25, 2021

**D. Supplemental sheet for nonproject 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?

The proposed amendments associated with the periodic review of the Town's SMP are not anticipated to increase any of the above. The proposed amendments are primarily concerned with keeping the SMP current with amendments to state laws, making usability improvements and clarifications, and ensuring consistency with the Town's other plans and development regulations.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

The existing SMP includes restrictions on uses, activities, and development within SMP jurisdiction that prevent the discharge of water or release of toxic or hazardous substances into the water. Shoreline development standards requires no net loss of ecological functions within the shoreline.

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

The proposed amendments associated with the periodic review of the Town's SMP are not anticipated to significantly affect plants, animals, fish or marine life. As development occurs in accordance with the SMP, impacts to shoreline ecological functions will be avoided, minimized, or compensated for. The proposed amendments are primarily concerned with keeping the SMP current with amendments to state laws, making usability improvements and clarifications, and ensuring consistency with the Town's other plans and development regulations.

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

The existing SMP includes measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish and aquatic life. New development within SMP jurisdiction must demonstrate no net loss of ecological functions within the shoreline. Additionally, a new SMP vegetation conservation section to consolidate related regulations currently scattered throughout the present SMP, such as tree trimming regulations to minimize these impacts within shoreline jurisdiction.

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

The proposed amendments associated with the periodic review of the Town's SMP are not anticipated to affect the depletion of energy or natural resources. The proposed amendments are primarily concerned with keeping the SMP current with amendments to state laws, making usability improvements and clarifications, and ensuring consistency with the Town's other plans and development regulations.

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

The proposal will have no effect on energy conservation but is strongly linked to protecting remaining intact natural resources along the shoreline not already impacted by development.

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?

The proposed amendments associated with the periodic review of the Town's SMP include updating the Town's Critical Area Ordinance (CAO). This will provide best-available science updates to critical areas regulations within shoreline jurisdiction, including updating to the current Department of Ecology wetland rating system.

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

The proposed SMP amendments and updates to the Town's CAO are consistent with the requirement of no-net-loss of critical area and shoreline ecological functions to be achieved with a shoreline development proposal.

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?

The proposed amendments associated with the periodic review of the Town's SMP would not alter land and shoreline uses at this time. The proposed amendments are primarily concerned with keeping the SMP current with amendments to state laws, making usability improvements and clarifications, and ensuring consistency with the Town's other plans and development regulations.

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

No such measures are necessary.

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

The proposed amendments associated with the periodic review of the Town's SMP are not anticipated to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities. The proposed amendments are primarily concerned with keeping the SMP current with amendments to state laws, making usability improvements and clarifications, and ensuring consistency with the Town's other development regulations.

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

No such measures are necessary.

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

This non-project proposal includes amendments associated with the periodic review of the Town's SMP, which the Town is required to complete under the Washington State Shoreline Management Act. Aims of the periodic review include keeping the SMP current with amendments to state laws and changes to local plans and regulations.