



**NOTICE OF PROPOSED JOINT SDOT/OPCD DIRECTOR’S RULE AND SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

**Pursuant to SMC 25.05.340 and WAC 197-11-340**

The Directors of the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) and the Seattle Office of Planning and Community Development (OPCD) propose the following Director’s Rule:

**Joint SDOT/OPCD Director’s Rule: West Seattle Light Rail Station Area Street Concept Plan**

The Director’s Rule (DR) proposes these street concepts to inform reviews and decision-making about public right-of-way improvements around three planned Sound Transit light rail facilities in the West Seattle neighborhood of Seattle. DRs are authorized in Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) Ch. 3.14.992 and 3.12.020. This DR provides guidelines for the design of future pedestrian, vehicle, and multimodal transportation infrastructure in the right-of-way, with stated goals of expanding public space, expressing community character and history, providing safer environments for people moving through the neighborhoods around the future light rail stations, and improving connections for people walking, biking, and taking transit. In general, the DR provides guidance around improving safety and accessibility for pedestrians, traffic calming measures, adjusting streets to support changing traffic patterns as vehicles access the planned light rail stations, and facilitating ease of transfer between light rail and other modes of transportation. . SDOT and OPCD will assign a DR number when the rule is finalized.

**LOCATION OF PROPOSAL**

The Director’s Rule on West Seattle Light Rail Station Area Street Concept Plan applies to the public rights-of-way surrounding the three Sound Transit light rail facilities planned for construction in the West Seattle neighborhood of Seattle. The nearest intersection to each facility is provided here, and full details of the street segments considered under this street concept proposal are provided in the DR and supporting SEPA checklist.

- Delridge Station: Adjacent to 26<sup>th</sup> Ave SW and SW Andover St intersection
- Avalon Station: Adjacent to SW Avalon Way and Fautleroy Way SW intersection
- Alaska Junction Station: Adjacent to SW Alaska St and 41<sup>st</sup> Ave SW intersection

**ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION**

After review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file, the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) and the Seattle Office of Planning and Community Development (OPCD) have determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse environmental impact, and have issued a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) under the State Environmental Policy Act. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 43.21C.030(2)(c). The environmental checklist and Director’s Rule are available at the Seattle Public Library Central Branch at 1000 Fourth Ave, Seattle, WA 98104. The Director’s Rule is available online at <https://www.seattle.gov/transportation/document-library/directors-rules-and-ordinances>. The documents are also available on request.

**HOW TO COMMENT:**

Written comments on the proposed Joint Director’s Rule, or regarding this DNS or potential environmental impacts may be submitted through 5pm on September 12, 2024 (14 days after publication). Comments may be sent to:


**City of Seattle, SDOT**  
**Attn: Ian Macek**  
**700 Fifth Ave, Suite 3800**  
**P.O. Box 34996**  
**Seattle, WA 98124-4996**  
Ian.Macek@seattle.gov

**AND/OR**

**City of Seattle, OPCD**  
**Attn: Lucien Ong**  
**600 Fourth Ave, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor**  
**PO Box 94788**  
**Seattle, WA 98124-7088**  
Lucien.Ong@seattle.gov

**Issue Date:** August 29, 2024

SEPA Responsible Official: Jill Macik, SDOT

  
Jill Macik (Aug 26, 2024 11:02 PDT)

Signature

08/26/2024

Date

## **HOW TO APPEAL**

Appeals of the decision to issue a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) must be submitted to the Office of the Hearing Examiner by 5:00 p.m. on September 19, 2024 (21 days after publication). Appeals should be addressed to the Hearing Examiner and must be accompanied by an \$85 filing fee in a check payable to the City of Seattle. The appeal must be sent to:

**City of Seattle  
Hearing Examiner  
700 Fifth Avenue, Suite 4000  
PO Box 94729  
Seattle WA 98124-4729**

Appellants should be prepared to make specific factual objections. See SMC 25.05.680 for SEPA appeal procedures.

## **INFORMATION AVAILABLE**

Copies of the DNS and the proposal may be obtained online at <https://www.seattle.gov/transportation/document-library/directors-rules-and-ordinances> or by request to the contacts below.

Questions about the proposed Joint Director's Rule and about the environmental determination can be directed to Ian Macek, SDOT Principal Urban Designer at [Ian.Macek@seattle.gov](mailto:Ian.Macek@seattle.gov), and Lucien Ong, OPCD ST3 Project Planner at [Lucien.Ong@seattle.gov](mailto:Lucien.Ong@seattle.gov).