

**Taylor Creek Outfall Improvements
SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)**

Description of Proposal

SPU proposes to tightline two stormwater outfalls in Dead Horse Canyon (Lakeridge Park) in the Lakeridge neighborhood of unincorporated King County and the incorporated limits of the City of Seattle. Lakeridge Park is owned and managed by SPR. Currently, both outfalls discharge stormwater directly onto the east slope of the Canyon and erode soil, destabilize the slope, disturb vegetation, and deliver sediment to Taylor Creek. SPU's proposal would tightline outfalls at Crestwood Dr S and at Rustic Rd S. A tightline is a pipe used to convey stormwater downhill where it can be safely discharged into a diffuser/dissipation structure near or at the bottom of a slope. The Project would also improve upstream stormwater collection and conveyance associated with each outfall.

SPU's Crestwood Dr S Outfall is in a King County street right-of-way (ROW), City of Seattle street ROW, and on a private property in unincorporated King County. Nearby property owners have reported localized flooding issues, which are likely caused by an inadequate existing stormwater collection and conveyance system. This Project would address those issues by installing new stormwater conveyance assets such as catch basins and inlets. A new buried 18-inch diameter ductile iron pipe would tie into the existing and improved collection and conveyance system at a maintenance hole structure in a City of Seattle ROW. From there, the pipe would continue west through a private property in City of Seattle and towards Dead Horse Canyon.

King County's Rustic Rd S Outfall is on private property and in King County street ROW in unincorporated King County. Because King County owns this outfall, SPU will use a King County Flood Control District Grant to fund construction. The Rustic Rd S tightline system would include new stormwater collection and conveyance assets in the King County ROW and in Lakeridge Park. A new buried 18-inch ductile iron pipe would connect to the existing conveyance system at a new drainage structure in Rustic Rd S. From there, the pipe would continue through King County ROW towards Dead Horse Canyon, moving the asset off of private property.

Proponent

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Location of Proposal

Work on the Crestwood Dr S outfall would occur in King County street ROW and City of Seattle street ROW (Crestwood Dr S), privately owned parcels 4059400530 (11201 Crestwood Dr S; City of Seattle) and 4058802345 (11033 Crestwood Dr S; unincorporated King County), on SPR-owned parcel 012304-9002 (Lakeridge Park), and SPU-owned parcel 4060000510 in the City of Seattle. Crestwood Dr outfall structures constructed by the project would be in the aforementioned King County and City of Seattle ROWs, the private property in City of Seattle, and the SPU-owned parcel.

Work on the Rustic Rd S outfall would occur in King County street ROW (Lakeridge Dr S), on privately owned parcels 4058802290 (10901 Lakeridge Dr S) and 4058801970 (10853 Rustic Rd S) in unincorporated King County, and on SPR-owned parcel 012304-9002 (Lakeridge Park) in the City of Seattle. Rustic Rd outfall structures constructed by the project would be in the aforementioned King County ROW and in Lakeridge Park.

The Project is in the Lake Washington/Cedar/Sammamish Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA 8). Surrounding land uses include urban residential, parkland, and open space.

Lead Agency

Seattle Public Utilities, 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 Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for fourteen (14) days from the issuance date below. A copy of the environmental checklist is available online at

[Taylor Creek Restoration Project - Utilities | seattle.gov](https://seattle.gov/taylor-creek-restoration-project-utilities)

Public and Agency Comments

Comments on this DNS must be submitted by June 27, 2024 and must be sent by email to:

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Signature: _____
Nathan Hart

Issue Date: June 13, 2024

Appeals

Appeals of this DNS must be accompanied by an \$85 filing fee and must be filed by 5:00 p.m. on July 5, 2024. Please see the Office of the Hearing Examiner web site for Temporary Operating Rules During COVID-19: <http://www.seattle.gov/hearing-examiner>