

## SW Spokane St Pump Station Improvements SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

## **Description of Proposal**

The proposed project includes two SPU-owned parcels. The SW Spokane St Pump Station is located on parcel 7987400820 (3214 SW Spokane St). Parcel 7987400170 (2992 SW Spokane St) is intended for use by SPU's contractor as a construction staging area to comply with the City of Seattle's Community Workforce Agreement with the Seattle Building and Construction Trades Council and the Northwest National Construction Alliance II.

To meet current electrical codes, the pump station's building footprint must be expanded to house SCADA equipment and electrical cabinets. The adjacent driveway must also be expanded to accommodate a portable standby generator should the station lose utility power and require operations vehicles. There are no practicable alternatives to the work with less impact on these ECAs or their buffers. As a result, SPU has determined the Project is exempt from the City of Seattle's ECA regulations per SMC 25.09.045.H.3 and SMC 25.09.045.A.3.

The existing building, constructed in 1928, is a rectangular structure of double-wythe brick exterior wall construction which supports an overhead rolling crane and lightweight wood roof. The pump room floor spans the complete basement of the building and contains the facility's water distribution piping. Conditions within the building have deteriorated over time due to water damage from pipe and roof leaks, drainage backups, and resulting condensation. The building does not meet current building code requirements. The building's electrical systems are at the end of their useful life and need to be replaced. The building's perimeter masonry walls are subject to collapse during a seismic event.

As a result, SPU has identified a project (SPU Project C115112) that will include the demolition and replacement of the above grade building shell, electrical systems, water piping, instrumentation, HVAC systems, and plumbing systems to meet current codes, and a building expansion for a new electrical room to meet code clearance requirements for worker safety.

The construction staging parcel will be used to support pump station construction by providing storage area for construction materials, vehicle parking, and rest and toilet facilities for construction workers. Temporary modifications to this parcel may include, but may not be limited to, temporary fencing, placement of a temporary office and temporary toilet facility, and temporary utility services (communications and power service).

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## Location of Proposal

The project is located at 3214 SW Spokane St and 2992 SW Spokane St, on parcels 7987400820 and 7987400170, in the North Admiral neighborhood of West Seattle, City of Seattle. The pump station work area is located near SW Spokane St and 33rd Ave SW. The construction staging area is located near SW Spokane St and Harbor Ave SW.

## 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 <u>http://www.seattle.gov/utilities/neighborhood-projects/construction-impacts</u>

<u>Public and Agency Comments</u> Comments on this DNS must be submitted by May 19, 2022 and must be sent by email to:

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Signature:

Issue Date: May 5, 2022

Appeals

Appeals of this DNS must be accompanied by an \$85 filing fee and must be filed by 5:00 p.m. on May 26, 2022. Please see the Office of the Hearing Examiner web site for Temporary Operating Rules During COVID-19: <u>http://www.seattle.gov/hearing-examiner</u>