

Notice of Addendum Availability Taylor Creek Outfall Improvements Project Determination of Non-Significance and SEPA Environmental Checklist

In June 2024, Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) prepared a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Environmental Checklist that analyzed environmental impacts of its proposed Taylor Creek Outfall Improvements Project. The Project would tightline two stormwater outfalls in Dead Horse Canyon (Lakeridge Park) in the Lakeridge neighborhood of unincorporated King County and in the incorporated limits of the City of Seattle (Attachment A). Lakeridge Park is owned and managed by Seattle Department of Parks and Recreation. 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. As lead agency for SEPA, SPU issued a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) for the Project on June 13, 2024.

The Environmental Checklist disclosed that no trees would be removed as part of this Project. During subsequent project design, SPU identified one tree would need to be removed. As lead agency, SPU has reviewed the findings and concluded the potential additional work does not substantially alter impact analyses in the Environmental Checklist and will not result in any significant environmental impacts. This Addendum has been prepared in accordance with the authority provided in Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) 25.05.600 and in accordance with the procedures described in SMC 25.05.625.

Subsequent to June 16, 2025, SPU identified another tree that would need to be removed. As lead agency, SPU has reviewed the findings and concluded the potential additional work does not substantially alter impact analyses in the Environmental Checklist and will not result in any significant environmental impacts. This Addendum has been prepared in accordance with the authority provided in Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) 25.05.600, in accordance with procedures described in SMC 25.05.625 and King County Code (KCC) 20.44, and as established by RCW 43.21C. As per KCC 20.44.050, King County has adopted the procedures and standards regarding preparation of environmental impact statements and other environmental documents pursuant to WAC 197-11-400 through 197-11-460 and 197-11-600 through 197-11-640, including WAC 197-11-625 (Addenda—Procedures).

The Addendum is available for viewing at the following location:

Online at https://www.seattle.gov/utilities/neighborhood-projects/taylor-creek#projectdocuments

SPU has reviewed these changes and concluded these revisions do not substantially alter the analyses of impacts contained in the June 2024 Environmental Checklist and its Exhibits and will not result in any significant environmental impacts. No additional technical reports have been prepared that directly relate to this proposal.

Any comments on this addendum must be submitted via email no later than November 17th, 2025 to:

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Signature:	Issue Date: October 30 th , 2025