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06/25/2024

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Sent Via Electronic Mail

Re: Snohomish County--2024-S-7173--60-day Notice of Intent to Adopt Amendment

Dear Ms. Ohlfs:

Thank you for sending the Washington State Department of Commerce (Commerce) the 60-day Notice of Intent to Adopt Amendment as required under [RCW 36.70A.106](#). We received your submittal with the following description.

Proposed amendment to Snohomish County Code that will adopt updated impact fee schedule for Park and Recreation Facility Impact Mitigation program.

We received your submittal on 06/25/2024 and processed it with the Submittal ID 2024-S-7173. Please keep this letter as documentation that you have met this procedural requirement. Your 60-day notice period ends on 08/24/2024.

We have forwarded a copy of this notice to other state agencies for comment.

Please remember to submit the final adopted amendment to Commerce within ten days of adoption.

If you have any questions, please contact Growth Management Services at reviewteam@commerce.wa.gov, or call Ted Vanegas, (360) 725-2778.

Sincerely,

Review Team
Growth Management Services



Snohomish County

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Proponents: Snohomish County Division of Parks & Recreation
6705 Puget Park Dr.
Snohomish WA 98296

Description of Proposal: Proposed ordinance to amend Snohomish County Code titled:

AMENDING SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 30.66A – PARK AND RECREATION FACILITY IMPACT MITIGATION

This nonproject proposal updates Chapter 30.66A Snohomish County Code (SCC), related to park and recreation facility impact mitigation. This proposal will update the impact fee schedule (SCC 30.66A.040) to reflect current population projections and capital projects needed to meet level-of-service standards.

Lead Agency: Snohomish County Departments of Parks & Recreation

Threshold Determination: 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 by Snohomish County of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with this agency. This information is available for public review upon request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted by June 4, 2024, to the responsible official at the address listed below.

Appeals:

This DNS together with the subsequent legislative action by the County Council to amend the County Code may be appealed to the Central Puget Sound Growth Management Hearings Board. **THIS DNS MAY BE APPEALED ONLY WHEN SUCH APPEAL IS COMBINED WITH THE APPEAL OF THE UNDERLYING ACTION PURSUANT TO SCC 30.73.100. THE APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN 60 DAYS OF THE PUBLISHED NOTICE OF THE NOTICE OF ACTION ISSUED SUBSEQUENT TO THE FINAL DECISION BY THE COUNTY.** The Notice of Action describing the final decision by the County to pursue or not pursue the proposed action will be published in the County's paper of record. Any appeal must be filed with the Central Puget Sound Growth Management Hearings Board, at PO Box 40953 Olympia WA 98504-0953 within 60 days following publication in the paper, or as otherwise stated in the Notice of Action or provided by law.

Responsible Officials: Tom Teigen
Position/Title: Director, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Address: 6705 Puget Park Dr.
Snohomish, WA 98296

Tom Teigen

Tom Teigen, Director

For further information, contact Carol Ohlfs, Parks & Recreation, (425) 388-6609 or carol.ohlfs@snoco.org. Please include your full name and mailing address in any email comments.

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SEPA¹ 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.

¹ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/Checklist-guidance>

A. Background

[Find help answering background questions²](#)

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

SCC 30.66A Update – Park and Recreation Facility Impact Mitigation

2. Name of applicant:

Snohomish County Division of Parks & Recreation

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

Snohomish County Parks & Recreation

6705 Puget Park Dr.

Snohomish, WA 98296

Contact: Carol Ohlfs

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4. Date checklist prepared:

April 1, 2024

5. Agency requesting checklist:

Snohomish County Division of Parks & Recreation

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

Planning Commission public hearing: July 23, 2024

County Council public hearing: To be determined

Implementation: January 1, 2025 (proposed)

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

This proposal is for a non-project action with no directly related plans for physical additions, expansions, or activities. This proposal updates county code related to the park impact mitigation fee amounts, which are used to fund future capital projects. All capital projects related to this code will be individually evaluated for compliance with SEPA.

² <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-A-Background>

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

None

- 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.**

Not applicable

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

Snohomish County Council approval of the proposed code changes.

- 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 proposal will amend Chapter 30.66A Snohomish County Code (SCC) (Park and Recreation Facility Impact Mitigation) to update fee collection amounts for park impact mitigation.

- 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.**

This is a non-project action but code changes will affect unincorporated areas in Snohomish County.

B.Environmental Elements

1. Earth

[Find help answering earth questions](#)³

- a. General description of the site:**

Circle or highlight one: Flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other:

Lands within the jurisdiction of Snohomish County include all the above types of terrain.

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

Slopes in excess of 100% can be found within the jurisdiction of Snohomish County.

³ <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-earth>

- 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.**

A wide variety of soil types are found throughout Snohomish County.

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

There are areas within Snohomish County with unstable soils.

- 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.**

As a non-project action, no filling or grading is proposed.

- f. Could erosion occur because of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.**

As a non-project action, no clearing, construction or land use are proposed.

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

As a non-project action, no impervious surface will be placed.

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

Each project funded with park mitigation fees will include environmental assessment as part of the development and permit application process. Individual site conditions will be taken into consideration in implementing projects associated with this proposed non-project action.

2. Air

[Find help answering air questions](#)⁴

- 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.**

As a non-project action, no emissions to air will occur as a result of this proposal.

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

Not applicable

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

⁴ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-Air>

Each project funded with park mitigation fees will include environmental assessment as part of the development and permit application process. Individual site conditions will be taken into consideration in implementing projects associated with this proposed non-project action.

3. Water

[Find help answering water questions⁵](#)

a. **Surface:**

[Find help answering surface water questions⁶](#)

- 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.**

There are many waterbodies in Snohomish County including Puget Sound, the Stillaguamish and Snohomish Rivers and many streams, lakes, ponds and wetlands.

- 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.**

As a non-project action, this proposal will not require any work over, in, or adjacent to the described waters.

- 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.**

As a non-project action, no fill or dredge material will be placed or removed from surface water or wetlands.

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

As a non-project action, no surface water withdrawals or diversion will be required.

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

There are floodplains located within Snohomish County.

- 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.**

As a non-project action, no discharges of waste materials to surface waters will occur.

⁵ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water>

⁶ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmental-elements-Surface-water>

b. Ground:

[Find help answering ground water questions](#)⁷

- 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 a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.**

As a non-project action, no groundwater will be withdrawn or discharged.

- 2. Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (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.**

As a non-project action, no waste material will be discharged from septic tanks or other sources.

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.**

As a non-project action, no runoff will occur.

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

As a non-project action, waste materials will not enter ground or surface waters.

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

As a non-project action, no drainage patterns will be altered.

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

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees will include environmental assessment as part of the development and potential permit application process, as required. Individual site conditions and potential project impacts will be taken into consideration in implementing projects associated with this proposed non-project action.

4. Plants

[Find help answering plants questions](#)

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

⁷ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmental-elements-Groundwater>

- 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**

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

As a non-project action, no vegetation will be removed.

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

- U.S Fish and Wildlife Services provides legal listing for ESA species under its jurisdiction.
- National Marine Fisheries Service provides legal listing for ESA species under its jurisdiction.
- Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife provides legal listing for ESA species under its jurisdiction.
- Washington State Department of Natural Resources provides legal listing of ESA species under its jurisdiction.

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

As a non-project action, specific landscaping or vegetation preservation measures are not indicated. Snohomish County Parks however typically seeks to incorporate native plants into landscaping plans and to minimize disturbance/removal of site vegetation.

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

A variety of noxious weeds and invasive species are distributed throughout Snohomish County.

5. Animals

[Find help answering animal questions](#)⁸

⁸ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-5-Animals>

- a. **List any birds and other animals that 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 wide variety of birds and other animals are present within Snohomish County.

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

- U.S Fish and Wildlife Services provides legal listing for ESA species under its jurisdiction.
- National Marine Fisheries Service provides legal listing for ESA species under its jurisdiction.
- Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife provides legal listing for ESA species under its jurisdiction.
- Washington State Department of Natural Resources provides legal listing of ESA species under its jurisdiction.

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

Yes. Wildlife species migrate through the county.

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

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees will include environmental assessment as part of the development and potential permit application process when required. Individual site conditions and potential project impacts will be taken into consideration in implementing projects associated with this proposed non-project action.

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

There are a variety of invasive animal species throughout Snohomish County.

6. Energy and natural resources

[Find help answering energy and natural resource questions⁹](#)

- 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.**

As a non-project action, energy will not be utilized.

⁹ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-6-Energy-natural-resou>

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

As a non-project action, this proposal will not affect potential use of solar energy.

- 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.**

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees will include an assessment of sustainability opportunities as part of development. Individual site conditions will be taken into consideration, as well as potential sustainability opportunities, in implementing projects associated with this proposed non-project action.

7. Environmental health

[Health Find help with answering environmental health questions](#)¹⁰

- a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur because of this proposal? If so, describe.**

As a non-project action, no environmental health hazards will result as a consequence of this proposal.

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

A variety of contaminated sites are distributed throughout Snohomish County and assessment of potential contamination is included as part of park property acquisition processes and typically avoided.

- 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.**

There are a variety of hazardous chemicals/conditions throughout Snohomish County.

- 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.**

As a non-project action, toxic or hazardous chemicals will not be stored, used or produced.

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

As a non-project action, no special emergency services will be required.

- 5. Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any.**

¹⁰ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-7-Environmental-health>

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees will include an assessment of potential environmental health hazards and steps taken to eliminate/minimize risks. Individual site conditions and potential project impacts will be taken into consideration in implementing projects associated with this proposed 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)?**

There is a wide variety in noise types and levels throughout Snohomish County.

- 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)?**

As a non-project action, no noise will be created.

- 3. Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:**

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees will include environmental assessment, and evaluation of project impacts, as part of the development and potential permit application process. Individual site conditions will be taken into consideration in implementing projects associated with this proposed non-project action.

8. Land and shoreline use

[Find help answering land and shoreline use questions](#)¹¹

- 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.**

This non-project action pertains to land within Snohomish County's jurisdiction, which includes a wide diversity of uses.

- 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 because 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?**

Snohomish County includes areas that may have been farmland or forest although projects funded, wholly or in part with park mitigation fees, will be located on park lands.

- 1. Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversized equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how?**

¹¹ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-8-Land-shoreline-use>

This non-project action will not affect farm or forest business operations.

c. Describe any structures on the site.

Not applicable to this non-project action.

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

This non-project action will not result in any structures being demolished.

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

There are a wide variety of zoning classifications in Snohomish County.

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

There are a wide variety of comprehensive plan designations across Snohomish County.

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

Not applicable to this non-project action.

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

There are many critical areas identified across Snohomish County.

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

As a non-project action, residence or employment will not be affected.

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

As a non-project action, no people will be displaced.

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

Park property acquisitions may be involved with implementing projects associated with this non-project action. Acquisitions occasionally include purchase of property with a residence included. In each instance purchase is completed with a willing seller.

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

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees, which may be associated with this proposed non-project action, is subject to Snohomish County land use regulations and plans. As part of project development, and potential permit application process, review of applicable land use regulations will be completed as well as completion of SEPA processes, as applicable.

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

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees, which may be associated with this proposed non-project action, is subject to Snohomish County land use regulations and plans. As part of project development, review of adjacent and nearby land uses will be completed as well as completion of SEPA processes, as applicable.

9. Housing

[Find help answering housing questions](#)¹²

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

As a non-project action, no housing units will be provided by this proposal.

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

As a non-project action, no housing units will be eliminated.

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

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees, which may be associated with this proposed non-project action, will be evaluated individually.

Evaluation of projects will include potential impacts on housing, and SEPA addressed, as appropriate.

10. Aesthetics

[Find help answering aesthetics questions](#)¹³

- a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?**

As a non-project action, structures are not proposed.

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

As a non-project action, views will not be altered or obstructed.

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

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees will include assessment of adjacent uses and identify potential project impacts anticipated as part of development. SEPA process will be followed, as appropriate.

11. Light and glare

[Find help answering light and glare questions](#)¹⁴

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?**

As a non-project action, light or glare will not be produced.

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

¹² <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-9-Housing>

¹³ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-10-Aesthetics>

¹⁴ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-11-Light-glare>

As a non-project action, light or glare will not be produced.

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

A variety of light and glare sources are distributed throughout Snohomish County.

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

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees will include assessment of adjacent uses and identify potential project impacts anticipated as part of development. SEPA process will be followed, as appropriate.

12. Recreation

[Find help answering recreation questions](#)

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

There are a variety of excellent recreational opportunities available in Snohomish County.

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

As a non-project action, recreational opportunities will not be displaced.

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

This proposal creates a positive impact on recreation, providing park lands and facilities.

13. Historic and cultural preservation

[Find help answering historic and cultural preservation questions](#)¹⁵

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.

There are a wide variety of buildings, structures and sites throughout Snohomish County that are listed, or eligible for listing in national, state or local preservation registers.

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.

There are a variety of landmarks, features and other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation throughout Snohomish County.

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.

¹⁵ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-13-Historic-cultural-p>

As a non-project action, cultural and historic resources will not be impacted.

- 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.**

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees will include an assessment of potential cultural or historic resources. Parks staff has completed WSDOT Cultural Resources training and County staff has access to DAHP databases. Site assessment typically includes database review, tribal and DAHP consultation, review of site conditions, and other steps as appropriate.

14. Transportation

[Find help with answering transportation questions](#)¹⁶

- 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.**

Various highways, state routes and local streets service Snohomish County.

- 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?**

Public transit is available in certain areas within Snohomish County.

- c. 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).**

As a non-project action, new transportation improvements are not required or proposed.

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

Not applicable.

- e. 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?**

As a non-project action, vehicular trips will not be generated.

- f. 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.**

As a non-project action agricultural and forest product transportation will not be affected.

¹⁶ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-14-Transportation>

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

Each project funded wholly or in part with park mitigation fees will include project assessment as part of the development and potential permit application process. Individual site conditions, and potential impacts, will be taken into consideration in implementing projects associated with this proposed non-project action.

15. Public services

[Find help answering public service questions¹⁷](#)

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.

As a non-project action, there will not be an increased need for public services.

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

As a non-project action, no measures to reduce or control impacts on public services are proposed or required. Any future site-specific development or land use action proposal may be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control any impacts on public services.

16. Utilities

[Find help answering utilities questions¹⁸](#)

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

There are a variety of utilities available across Snohomish County.

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.

As a non-project action utilities are not proposed.

C. Signature

[Find help about who should sign¹⁹](#)

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.

¹⁷ <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-15-public-services>

¹⁸ <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-16-utilities>

¹⁹ <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-C-Signature>

X *Tom Teigen*

Type name of signee: Tom Teigen

Position and agency/organization: Director, Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

Date submitted: April 1, 2024

D. Supplemental sheet for nonproject actions

[Find help for the nonproject actions worksheet²⁰](#)

Do not use this section 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?

Implementation of the proposed non-project action is anticipated to result in acquisition and development of park properties and facilities to serve anticipated population growth. Park acquisition and development is relatively low impact, although discharges to water associated with stormwater and noise associated with park use, may be increased associated with specific projects.

- **Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:**

Adherence to Snohomish County stormwater regulations and controls on hours of park use.

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

Implementation of the proposed non-project action is anticipated to result in acquisition and development of park properties and facilities to serve anticipated population growth. Park acquisition and development is relatively low impact, although park development may affect plants and animals, in certain instances. Fish and marine life

²⁰ <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-d-non-project-actions>

are not anticipated to be affected negatively and park projects often include enhancement projects intended to improve aquatic conditions.

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

Parks are typically planned to retain open space and natural areas, although individual park needs drive site selection and design. Development of Preferred Plans for each site includes a process of site inventory, identification of needs and review of alternatives to meet needs while minimizing impacts on natural resources. Development for each site is subject to permitting regulations and conformance with Snohomish County Code.

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

Implementation of the proposed non-project action is anticipated to result in acquisition and development of park properties and facilities to serve anticipated population growth. Park acquisition and development projects are typically low impact, compared to other potential uses, and developed parks do not generally have high energy requirements nor result in extensive natural resource consumption.

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

Parks strives to reduce energy consumption and has incorporated solar systems into two recent projects and at other sites has been replacing standard fixtures with low-energy options (e.g. LED, occupancy sensors and on-demand water heaters). Parks also incorporates low-flow water fixtures into parks whenever possible in order to minimize water use. It is currently standard practice to consider and incorporate energy and water saving equipment into park design, whenever possible.

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?

Implementation of the proposed non-project action is anticipated to result in acquisition and development of park properties and facilities to serve anticipated population growth. Park acquisition and development projects typically avoid, or minimize impacts to sensitive areas.

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

When impacts to sensitive areas are identified as unavoidable in completion of a project, adherence to Snohomish County regulations will be followed.

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?

Implementation of the proposed non-project action is anticipated to result in acquisition and development of park properties and facilities to serve anticipated population growth. Park acquisition and development projects follow Snohomish County land use regulations and plans. Implementation of the proposed non-project action will not allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans.

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

Parks will continue to adhere to Snohomish County land use regulations and plans.

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

Implementation of the proposed non-project action is anticipated to result in acquisition and development of park properties and facilities to serve anticipated population growth. Park acquisition and development may increase demands on transportation to reach the facilities, although new transportation routes are not typically driven by park development, and public services such as emergency responders. Utility use associated with park development is typically less than other possible land uses (e.g. housing development).

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

Parks seeks to provide a safe environment for park users and provides Ranger and Maintenance staff to ensure parks are clean, safe and open. Visitor information is often provided, when appropriate, to educate park visitors, warn users of potential hazards and help eliminate the need for emergency response.

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

Implementation of the proposed non-project action is not anticipated to conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.



SEPA NOTIFICATION

Notice is Hereby Given that the SNOHOMISH COUNTY DIVISION OF PARKS & RECREATION (PARKS) has issued a Determination of Non-significance (DNS) for a non-project action.

Description of Project: AMENDING SNOHOMISH COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 30.66A – PARK AND RECREATION FACILITY IMPACT MITIGATION

This non-project proposal updates Chapter 30.66A Snohomish County Code (SCC), related to park and recreation facility impact mitigation. This proposal will update the impact fee schedule (SCC 30.66A.040) to reflect current population projections and capital projects needed to meet level-of-service standards.

Project Proponent: Snohomish County Parks. Parks has determined this non-project proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment.

Date of Issuance: Monday, May 20, 2024; **Date Published:** Monday, May 20, 2024

Contact: Carol Ohlfs, Principal Park Planner, 425-388-6609, or carol.ohlfs@snoco.org

SEPA Comments Due: This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2). The lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the issue date above. Comments must be submitted by June 3, 2024, to the responsible official at the address listed on the DNS.

Appeal Period: This DNS may be appealed only when such appeal is combined with the appeal of the underlying action pursuant to SCC 30.73.100. The appeal must be filed within 60 days of the published notice of the notice of action issued subsequent to the final decision by the County.

Additional information regarding the proposed legislation is available at the County's website at: <https://snocoparks.info/ParkMitFeeUpdate>

Digital copies are available online and via email. Print copies can be made available at Snohomish County Parks & Recreation, 6705 Puget Park Dr., Snohomish WA 98296

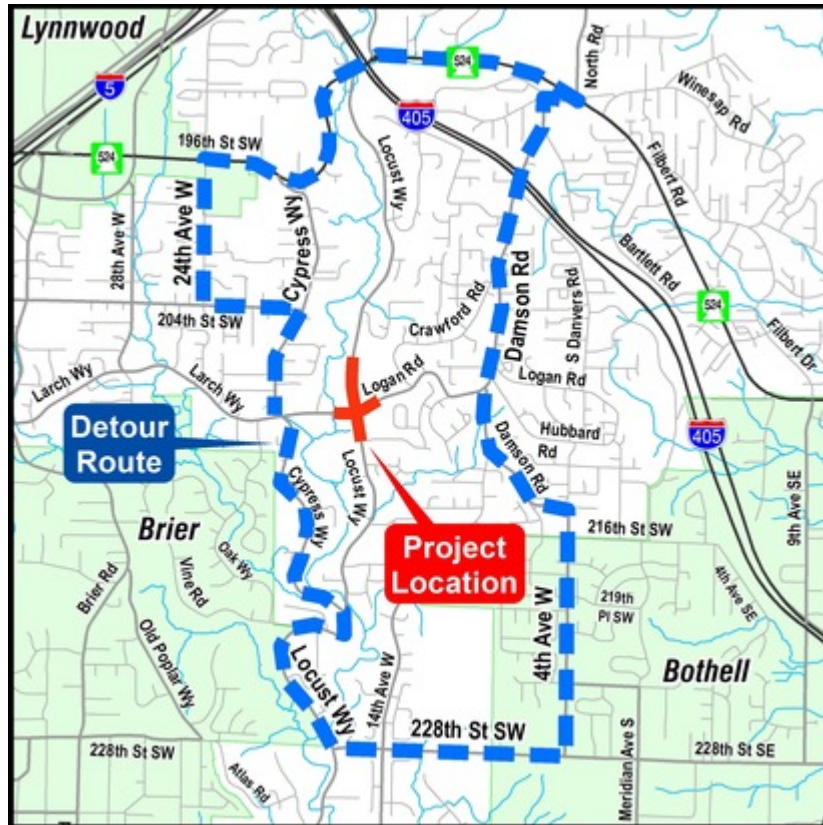


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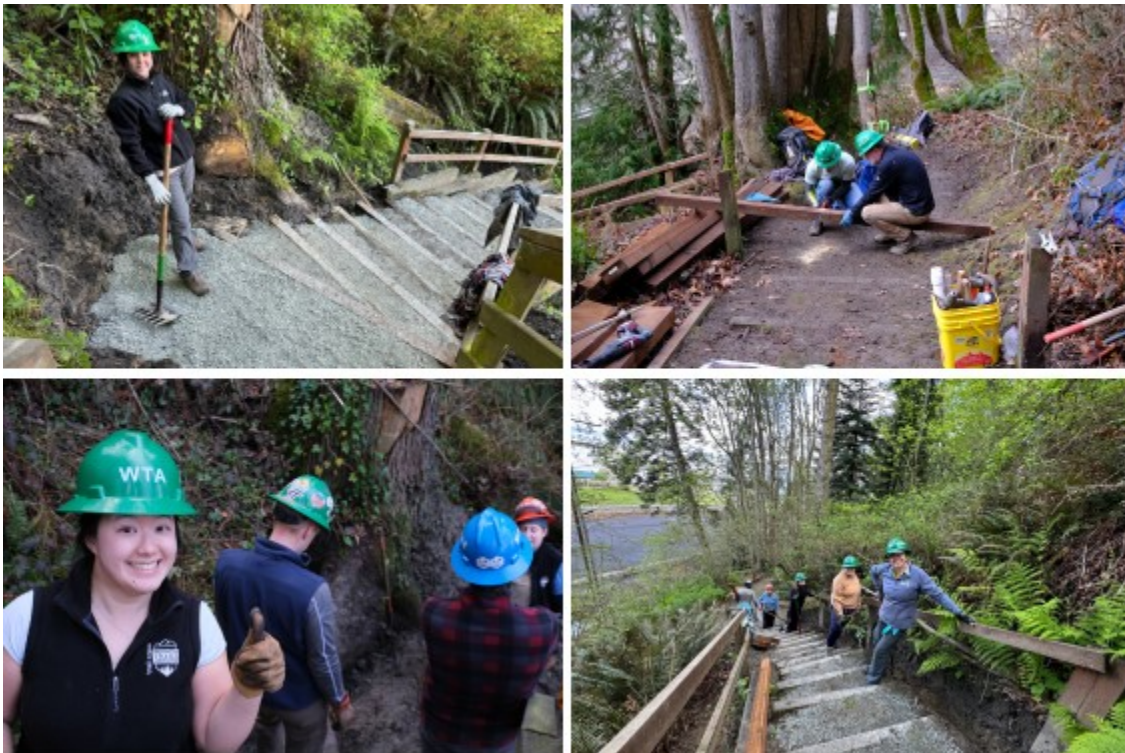
Logan Park Impacts: Larch Way/Logan Road and Locust Way Intersection Improvement Project

Construction is underway on a single-lane roundabout at the Larch Way/Logan Road and Locust Way intersection, next to [Logan Park](#). During construction, the parking lot

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is closed but the park is still accessible by foot. Drivers should expect single-lane closures periodically until the intersection fully closes on June 25. The intersection will remain closed while schools are on summer break, with a planned reopening date of Sept. 4. A signed detour route will be in place – see the map above.

The Snohomish County Public Works project includes the new roundabout plus a shared-use path for pedestrians and bicyclists. These improvements are expected to improve traffic flow and mobility for active transportation. For more information, visit the project webpage: snohomishcountywa.gov/3811.



Trail Improvements at Kayak Point Regional Park

We are working on getting Kayak Point Day-Use Area, campground and trails in ship shape for when we reopen July 1! Thanks to the [Washington Trails Association](#) crew for their hard work on rehabilitating this trail with new beams, steps and surfacing!

Construction on Phase 1 of the Kayak Point Park Day-Use Improvement Project is progressing! Later this month, our staff will install kayak floats (stay tuned on social media for a video update), and we are wrapping up construction before our summer reopening.

The park will temporarily reopen July 1-October 15, 2024 before closing again for phase 2 construction. [Learn more here.](#)



We are currently seeking multiple camp hosts!

We are looking for camp hosts for Whitehorse Campground and Kayak Point Campground! If you are interested, please [see our webpage for application and contact information.](#)

The Campground Host Program offers enthusiastic and interested volunteers the chance to stay and have fun in our campgrounds while gaining experience in park operations and visitor services. This is a volunteer position, and hosts receive free camping and hookups in exchange for performing these duties.

Learn more about the campgrounds:

[Whitehorse Campground](#) near Darrington

[Kayak Point Regional Park Campground](#) near Stanwood



Tribal Area Blessing and Donor Appreciation Events at the SR 530 Slide Memorial

In May, Snohomish County Parks staff joined tribal members and partners from the Sauk-Suiattle, Stillaguamish, Swinomish and Snoqualmie Tribes, County Executive Dave Somers, and County Councilmember Megan Dunn for a blessing ceremony of the Tribal Area at the SR 530 Slide Memorial. Ceremonies, stories and blessings were shared. The Tribal Area is just east of the SR 530 Slide Memorial along the Whitehorse Trail.

We also celebrated the many people who made the [SR 530 Slide Memorial](#) possible! We want to thank the many individuals and organizations who donated or contributed time, money, materials, input, and effort to this beautiful memorial. When you visit, make sure to check out the donor wall, which recognizes everyone who contributed donations to make this a reality. Thank you to everyone who had a part in realizing the vision of the Slide Memorial!



Garbage Diverted at Snohomish County Earth Week Recycling Event

On Saturday, April 27th, the [WSU Snohomish County Extension Sustainable Community Stewards](#) helped collect Styrofoam during the Snohomish County Earth Week Recycling Collection event. Volunteers collected about 65 cubic yards of Styrofoam, or enough to fill 1.5 large blue containers. Thanks to Republic Services for providing the containers and trucking the Styrofoam down to Styro Recycle to be turned into things like moulding and picture frames.

Thanks to everyone who came out to the event! More than 270 cars lined up to drop off items to be recycled or disposed of properly. Our staff had fun sharing info about our parks and resources!



Own Your Wake Boating Safety Tips

Summer boating season is almost here! As you enjoy our beautiful Snohomish County lakes, freshen up on some boating safety tips and make sure to control your wake. For everyone's sake, own your wake!

Almost every motorboat can create a wake, which is why boaters must be aware of the danger wakes present and the damage they can do. While common courtesy dictates boaters should control their wakes, there are consequences beyond how wakes may affect people. There is no required distance for boats, but by staying at least 200 feet from shore or other structures boaters can reduce the likelihood their wakes will cause damage. Boats that create an artificial wake may require more distance to lower the impact.

National Safe Boating Week is May 18-24. [Learn everything you need to know about selecting and wearing a lifejacket and more here.](#)

[Healthy and Safe Swimming Week](#) takes place May 27-31.

Helpful links:

- <https://snocoparks.info/OwnYourWake>
- [Learn about Flowing Lake Boating & Water Skiing Regulations here.](#)
- [Snohomish County Parks water access](#)
- [Life jacket cabinets](#)

Park Highlight: Darrington Archery Range



300 Sauk Ave. Darrington, WA 98241

Features: 4 permanent courses (1 ADA accessible), each with 28 targets.

[Darrington Archery Range](#) is a community-based, family-friendly archery range for all ages located in Darrington, Washington. The range features four permanent courses, each with 28 targets. One of the courses, **the Dylan Range, is the first handicapped accessible 28-target outdoor range in the United States.** The range is the home turf of the [Darrington Archers Club](#) and has become the major destination for outdoor archery competition on the West Coast, hosting the national championships every three years since 1982.

Other DCNR News...

The names of the 18 Snohomish County residents who perished during military operations from September 11, 2001, to the present, will be unveiled on Memorial Day 2024. The names will be engraved on a plaque adjacent to a sculpture by a local artist at Haller Bridge that was rededicated as the “Global War on Terror Veterans Bridge” in 2022. **A brief ceremony will take place at 11:00 a.m. on May 27, 2024, at the memorial on the north side of the Global War on Terror Veterans Bridge (formerly Haller Bridge) in Arlington.**

It's time for the [Biennial Update to Park Impact Mitigation Fees](#). Snohomish County operates under a Growth Management Act (GMA) authorized park impact fee program, which provides for new growth to pay a proportionate share of park facilities that are necessary to support development. Snohomish County has operated under some kind of park impact fee program since 1991 and this program has contributed to provision of significant public assets including Wenberg Park, Kayak Point Park, Cavalero Hill Park, Martha Lake Airport Park, Willis Tucker Park and others.

- Snohomish County Parks would like to thank the Darrington Horse Owners Association for use of their grounds for the March 22 SR 530 Slide Memorial shuttle lot. [Check out their Darrington Timberbowl Rodeo June 29 & 30, 2024!](#)
- **The Jetty Island Ferry** opens July 5! [Reservations are open now.](#)
- Powered by Smart911, [SnoCoAlerts](#) is the county's early warning system and notification system. Sign up today!
- [Gear up for summer and learn about extreme heat and where to find cooling centers here.](#)
- [We are looking for volunteers to join our Evergreen State Fair Advisory Board!](#)
- [Get Ready for “Bright Lights and Summer Nights” at the 2024 Evergreen StateFair!](#)
- [Evergreen State Fair Announces 2024 Fair Honoree Ruth Avila](#)
- [Snohomish County is Accepting Applications for Up to \\$10 Million in Conservation Futures Program Grants](#)
- Snohomish County is doing research to **improve our website** and would like your input! [By filling out this survey](#), there is a chance to win 1 of 5 \$50 gift cards.

Upcoming Events + Volunteer

Opportunities

- 5/18: [Shoreline Stories with the WSU Beach Watchers - Brier](#)
- 5/18: [Green Cleaning Workshop - Monroe](#)
- 5/18-24: [National Safe Boating Week](#)
- 5/19: Healthy Forest Project Volunteer Work Party - [Weeding at Steamshovel Trail - Lord Hill Regional Park](#)
- 5/22: [Preserve the Harvest 1: Basics of Safe Canning](#)
- 5/23: [Shoreline Stories with the WSU Beach Watchers - Sultan](#)
- 5/27: Memorial Day Veterans Memorial Ceremony 11 am (at Haller Bridge on the Centennial Trail), Snohomish County offices closed today.
- 5/27-31: [Healthy and Safe Swimming Week](#)
- 6/1: Healthy Forest Project Volunteer Work Party - [Picnic Point - Beach Restoration Event](#)
- 6/5: [Preserve the Harvest 2: Jams, Jellies, and Spreads](#)
- 6/9: [Meadowdale Beach Park Maintenance Workshop - Forest Steward Training](#)
- 6/12: [Shoreline Stories with the WSU Beach Watchers - Darrington](#)
- 6/12: [Preserve the Harvest 3: Tomatoes, Salsa, & Relish](#)
- 6/19: [Green Cleaning Workshop](#)
- 6/25: [Shoreline Stories with the WSU Beach Watchers - Arlington](#)

[Learn more about volunteer opportunities here.](#)

Current Job Openings

Conservation and Natural Resources has a wide variety of career opportunities available. [See current openings here.](#)

- Facility Maintenance Worker II - Parks
- Park Ranger
- Seasonal - Facility Maintenance Worker I (Parks & Fairgrounds)
- Seasonal - Park Aide
- Temporary - Parks & Fairgrounds Event Host
- [Evergreen State Fair Employment](#)

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PROJECT SUMMARY

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The Snohomish County code basis for collection of park impact mitigation fees (SCC 30.66A) encourages biennial update of collection amounts, in order to ensure that the fee basis reflects up-to-date project costs and population projections. The biennial update process reviews anticipated population growth over the next six years, identifies park amenities that are necessary to serve that growth, and calculates the portion of those costs that should be allocated to new development.

PROJECT STATUS

Once the Planning Commission makes recommendations, the CFPs will go on to the County Council for adoption. Copies of the draft CFPs are available below.

The Snohomish County Planning Commission is scheduled to hold a briefing on the Park Impact Fee Updates on June 25, 2024, and a hearing is scheduled for July 23, 2024. The target date for County Council review and approval is September/October 2024.

In 2024, Park Impact Mitigation Fees are proposed to be updated as follows:

	Adopted Park Impact Fee (Revised 2018)	Adopted Park Impact Fee (Revised 2018)	Proposed Park Impact Fee (Effective Jan. 1, 2025)	Proposed Park Impact Fee (Effective Jan. 1, 2025)
<i>Park Service Area</i>	Single Family and Duplex - \$/unit	Multi-Family and Townhouse - \$/unit	Single Family and Duplex - \$/unit	Multi-Family and Townhouse - \$/unit
301 - Kayak Point	\$503.84	\$339.32	\$860.09	\$544.27
302 - River Meadows	\$503.84	\$339.32	\$1,209.35	\$544.27
303 - Robe Canyon	\$684.73	\$465.64	\$860.09	\$544.27
304 - Whitehorse	\$503.84	\$339.32	\$860.09	\$544.27
305 - Lord Hill	\$503.84	\$339.32	\$860.09	\$544.27
306 - Centennial	\$503.84	\$339.32	\$860.09	\$544.27
307 - Nakeeta Beach	\$1,630.22	\$1,071.45	\$2,297.32	\$1,458.00

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WORKING PROJECT SCHEDULE

Task	Target Time Frame
Inputs for impact fee calculations available to Parks staff	March 2024
County review of draft impact mitigation fee schedule (SCC Table 30.66A.040(1))	April – May 2024
Complete State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) requirements	Date Published: Monday, May 20, 2024 Comments Deadline: Monday, June 3, 2024
Draft ordinance available for review	June 2024
Send to Department of Commerce (60-day notice)	June 2024
County Planning Commission briefing	June 25, 2024
County Planning Commission hearing	July 23, 2024
County Council review	TBD (Aug-Dec 2024)
Code update & revised fee implementation	January 1, 2025

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

- [Snohomish County Code Chapter 30.66A – Park and Recreation Facility Impact Mitigation](#)
- [Snohomish County Comprehensive Plan Parks and Recreation Element](#)
- [RCW Chapter 82.02 – General Provisions](#)
- [SEPA Determination of Non-Significance Full Document \(PDF\)](#)
- [SEPA DNS Notice Postcard \(PDF\)](#)
- [Snohomish County Park Service Areas Map \(PDF\)](#)

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Milestone	Target Date (2024)	Comments
Kick-off Meeting	Dec 1	Planning supervisor/manager review methodology and project inputs
Inputs for Impact Fee Calculation to School Districts	Dec - Jan	Population forecasts released in March from Steve Toy. Requested in December.
1st Draft impact fee updates	Jan 31	Electronic submittal
Establish County Project Webpage	Feb 28	Coordinate with Rose
SEPA process – Parks to Complete	April- May	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Draft SEPA 2) Determination of non-significance 3) Email to Ecology: separegister@ecy.wa.gov 4) Postcard notification 5) Public Notice in the Herald: https://www.heraldnet.com/advertising-info/submit-legal-notice/ to be published on the date of the DNS issuance
Executive office briefing	April	
PA Review Ordinance Review	May	Staff report for Planning commission: backup explanation for fee increase
County sends to Dept. Commerce (60-day notice)	June	<p>EMAIL ADDRESS ONLINE. GROWTH MANAGEMENT STUFF Vanegas, Ted (COM) ted.vanegas@commerce.wa.gov Documents are submitted to Commerce via the PlanView platform. Submit the draft ordinance package through this process. Once the ordinance is adopted then it would need to be sent back through this review process within 10 days after final adoption</p>
Planning Commission Briefing	June 25	Presentation package/staff report to Taylor: June 7
Planning Commission Hearing	July 23	Presentation package/staff report to Taylor: July 5
County Council Review	Aug - Dec	Dates TBD

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Coordinate implementation with PDS	Oct-Dec	Code update text, fee schedule updates. Contact: Jennifer Lenz
Send adopted Ordinance to Commerce within 10 days	Oct-Dec	EMAIL ADDRESS ONLINE. GROWTH MANAGEMENT STUFF Vanegas, Ted (COM) ted.vanegas@commerce.wa.gov Documents are submitted to Commerce via the PlanView platform. Submit the draft ordinance package through this process. Once the ordinance is adopted then it would need to be sent back through this review process within 10 days after final adoption



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Project Outline and Planning Memo

Updated: 10/5/2023 by Carol Ohlfs

Background

- The code was updated in 2016
 - Amended Ord. 16-099, Nov. 14, 2016, Eff date Jan. 1, 2017). Sharon Swan led that process.
- The fees were updated in 2018, DCNR instead of Parks Dept was updated in 2020:

(1) Developments subject to this chapter shall pay the fees set forth in Table 30.66A.040(1).

Table 30.66A.040(1) Park and Recreation Impact Fees

Park Service Area	PSA Name	Single Family and Duplex - \$/unit	Multi-Family and Townhouse \$/unit
301	Kayak Point	\$426,503.98 84	\$279,339.49 32
302	River Meadows	\$426,503.98 84	\$279,339.49 32
303	Robe Canyon	\$579,684.68 73	\$386,465.46 64
304	White Horse	\$426,503.98 84	\$279,339.49 32
305	Lord Hill	\$426,503.98 84	\$279,339.49 32
306	Centennial	\$426,503.98 84	\$279,339.49 32
307	Nakeeta Beach	\$1,624,630.69 22	\$1,056,071.49 45

- The code can be updated every 2 years
- Code link: <https://snohomish.county.codes/SCC/30.66A>
- Update timeline for public process can be done in coordination with the School's Impact Fee code update, which has been led in the past by Eileen Canola (PDS)
<https://snohomishcountywa.gov/4037/Biennial-Update-to-School-Districts-CFPs>

Needs

RACI Chart

R = Responsible - Does the work

A = Accountable - Reviews and approves the work

C = Consulted - Give input into the work

I = Informed - Updates on progress and decisions

	Carol	Rachel	Rich	Sharon	Tom T	Others
Capital Plan & fee calculations	R	R/A	A/C	C/I	I	Kara? Real Property? Planners?
Draft Code / Fee Update	R	A	A/C	C/I		
PA Initial Review	R	A	C	C/I		
Exec Briefing	R	A	C	R/C/I?	R?	Lacey?
Public Input	R	A	C	C/I	I	Rose?
SEPA process	R	A/C	C/I	C/I	I	
Planning Commission Briefing	R	A/C	C/I	C/I	I	
PA Review	R	I	I	I	I	
Planning Commission Hearing	R	A	A/C	C/I		
Ordinance Draft	R	A	C	C/I	I	
PA Final Review	R	I	I	I	I	
Council Review/Approval	R	I	I	I	I	

Next Steps

- Set the schedule with meeting requests for reviews
- Draft the capital plan and fee calculations

Questions:

- Adoption schedule impact of the bi-annual budget?
- Adoption schedule impact of the planning commission/council schedules for comp plan adoption?