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**RE: Bridge #504 Replacement on Locust Way
Construction planned for 2015**

Dear Resident/Reviewer:

Snohomish County is proposing to replace Bridge #504 on Locust Way with a new longer and wider bridge. Construction is planned for 2015. This bridge crosses Swamp Creek between 231st Street SW and Barker Road. The existing bridge was constructed in 1936 and rebuilt in 1958 and 1988. To meet current federal bridge standards the bridge will be lengthened from 41 to 70 feet and widened from 23 to 47 feet to include bike lanes and sidewalks.

An existing row of wooden piles down the middle of the stream will also be removed. These piles collect debris during floods, stressing the bridge structure and requiring ongoing maintenance. The new bridge will span the entire creek eliminating the need for the center piers. Stormwater runoff from the bridge will be collected into a new stormwater system and discharged to a bioswale.

This letter is to let you know about this project and that an environmental review has been completed. An Environmental Checklist and Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) have been issued. The DNS states that no significant environmental impacts are anticipated from construction of this project. Copies of the Environmental Checklist are available during normal business hours from Snohomish County Public Works at the address below or visit www.snoco.org. Search for: Bridge 504.

Comments on this project must be submitted by September 24, 2012 to: Mary Auld, Snohomish County Public Works, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Mail Stop 607, Everett, WA 98201 or via email: mary.auld@snoco.org or call: 425-388-3488, extension 4510.

Sincerely,

Mary Auld, Senior Environmental Planner
Transportation and Environmental Services



Snohomish County Public Works

PUBLIC NOTICE **Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) and** **Land Disturbing Activity Permit**

PROJECT NAME: Bridge 504 Replacement (RC 1633)

PROJECT NUMBER: RC1488, UPI# 11-0004-1

COMMENTS DUE: September 24, 2012

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: To meet current federal bridge standards, Snohomish County proposes to remove Bridge 504 and replace it with a new bridge that is longer and wider than the existing bridge. The bridge will be lengthened from 41 to 70 feet and widened from 23 to 47 feet.

The new bridge will be a single pre-cast concrete span with two 11-foot traffic lanes, two 5-foot wide bike lanes, and two 6-foot sidewalks. The existing center pier and creosoted timber substructure will be removed. The new bridge foundations will be placed outside of the existing creek channel, removing the artificial flow restriction. The center pier currently catches debris which can cause damage to the bridge.

Railings and guardrail will be installed where needed. Runoff from the new bridge, the bridge approach slabs, and portions of the roadway will be collected into a new stormwater system and discharged to a bioswale. Utilities will be relocated, as needed, to accommodate the longer and wider bridge.

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL: Bridge 504 is located on Locust Road in southwest Snohomish County. The bridge crosses Swamp Creek between 231st Street SW and Barker Road. The project is located in the NE ¼ of Section 35/Township 27N/ Range 4E, W.M.

APPLICANT AND LEAD AGENCY: Snohomish County Public Works

LAND DISTURBING ACTIVITY (LDA) PERMIT: This project will require an LDA permit. The preliminary estimates for cut and fill quantities are 2,000 cubic yards of cut and 2,000 cubic yards of fill. Fill and other materials such as gravel borrow, washed gravel and compost amended soils would be obtained from permitted commercial sites.

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 of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public upon request.

The lead agency has determined that the requirements for environmental analysis, protection, and mitigation measures have been adequately addressed in the county's development regulations and comprehensive plan adopted under chapter 36.70A RCW, and in other applicable local, state, or federal laws and rules, as provided by RCW 43.21C.240 and WAC 197-11-158. Our agency will not require any additional mitigation measures under chapter 30.61 SCC.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: This DNS and LDA are subject to a 21-day comment period. Written comments may be submitted by mail or e-mail to the lead agency's contact person. See name and address below. Comments must be received by 5 p.m., **September 24, 2012.**

APPEALS: This DNS may be appealed pursuant to the requirements of SCC 30.61.300 and Chapter 2.02 SCC. There is a 21-day appeal period for the DNS that commences from the date of publication of notice. Any appeal must be addressed to the County Hearing Examiner, accompanied by a filing fee of \$500, and be filed in writing at Snohomish County Public Works, 3000 Rockefeller Ave., Robert J. Drewel Building, 2nd Floor, Customer Service Center, Everett, Washington. The appeal must be received by 5 p.m., **September 24, 2012.**

The appeal must contain the items set forth in SCC 30.71.050(5). In addition, SCC 30.61.305(1) also requires that any person filing an appeal of a threshold determination made pursuant to chapter 30.61 SCC shall file with the hearing examiner, within seven days of filing the appeal, a sworn affidavit or declaration demonstrating facts and evidence, that, if proven, would demonstrate that the issuance of the threshold determination was clearly erroneous.

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DISCLAIMER: The determination that an environmental impact statement does not have to be filed does not mean there will be no adverse environmental impacts. Snohomish County codes governing noise control, land use performance standards, construction and improvement of county roads, drainage control, building practices will provide substantial mitigation of the aforementioned impacts. The issuance of this Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) should not be interpreted as acceptance or approval of this proposal as presented. Snohomish County reserves the right to deny or approve said proposal subject to conditions if it is determined to be in the best interest of the County and/or necessary to the general health, safety, and welfare of the public to do so.

Attachments: SEPA Checklist, Vicinity Map, Project Map

DISTRIBUTION LIST:

Tribal Government: Muckleshoot Tribe; Sauk-Suiattle Tribe; Stillaguamish Tribe; Tulalip Tribes

Federal Agencies: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

State Agencies: Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation; Department of Ecology; Department of Fish and Wildlife; Department of Transportation

County Departments: Executive Office; County Council; Planning and Development Services; Sheriff; Public Works: Engineering Services, Road Maintenance, Surface Water Management, Parks and Recreation

Other: The Everett Herald; Lockwood Elementary School; Kenmore Junior High School; City of Bothell; City of Kenmore; City of Brier; Fire District; Residents within 500 feet of the site