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ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT

Adoption for: Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS);
 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS);
 Other: Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (WAC 197-11-350)

Local File Number: 18 121944 LDA, 18 121994 LDA, 18 121972 FPA, 18 121979 FHZ, 18 121974 CBP
Project File Name: North Seattle Lateral Upgrade Project

Applicant: Williams/Northwest Pipeline LLC

Location of Proposal: 12512 ELLIOTT RD SNOHOMISH

Tax Account Number: 270617-001-004-00

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: Northwest Pipeline LLC (Northwest), a Williams company, is proposing to remove up to 5.85 miles of the existing 8-inch diameter North Seattle mainline lateral and replace it with 20-inch diameter pipe. Subsequent phases of the North Seattle Lateral Upgrade Project (Project), which are also being evaluated at this time for purposes of SEPA, include upgrading the existing North Seattle/Everett delivery meter station, installing a new mainline valve, and installing a new pig launcher/receiver site at the terminus of the 20-inch pipeline. The Project will provide an additional 159,299 dekatherms per day of delivery capacity on the existing North Seattle Delivery Lateral system as requested by Puget Sound Energy (PSE).

Title(s) of Document(s) Being Adopted:

(1) Final NEPA Environmental Assessment for North Seattle Lateral Upgrade Project dated February 2018, together with all referenced tables, illustrations and appendices including that Biological Assessment and Essential Fish Habitat Assessment – North Seattle Lateral Upgrade dated October 2017, issued pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) addressing project impacts to species listed under the ESA and their designated critical habitats (hereinafter “North Seattle Lateral Upgrade Project NEPA Environmental Assessment”); and

(2) Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Order Issuing Certificate and Approving Abandonment dated July 19, 2018, adopting the North Seattle Lateral Upgrade Project NEPA Environmental Assessment, imposing environmental conditions set forth in Appendix B of said Order, and setting forth Finding of No Significant Impact (hereinafter “FERC Order Issuing Certificate”).

Agency That Prepared Document Being Adopted: U.S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Date Adopted Document was Prepared:

- (1) North Seattle Lateral Upgrade Project NEPA Environmental Assessment prepared February 2018;
- (2) FERC Order Issuing Certificate prepared July 19, 2018

Description of Document(s) Being Adopted:

(1) Entirety of that North Seattle Lateral Upgrade Project NEPA Environmental Assessment dated February 2018, together with all referenced tables, illustrations and appendices including that Biological Assessment and Essential Fish Habitat Assessment – North Seattle Lateral Upgrade dated October 2017, issued pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) addressing project impacts to species listed under the ESA and their designated critical habitats, relating to the following proposed actions within Snohomish County: (1) replacement of approximately 5.9 miles of 8-inch diameter pipeline with 20-inch diameter pipeline; (2) relocate and replace 0.17 miles of 16-inch diameter pipeline; (3) rebuild the existing North Seattle Everett meter station in order to accommodate the increased delivery capacity of the North Seattle Lateral; (4) relocate an existing 8-inch pig launcher and a 20-inch pig receiver; and (5) replace an existing 8-inch mainline valve with a 20-inch valve, as more fully set forth therein;

(2) That portion of the FERC Order Issuing Certificate dated July 19, 2018, setting forth the agency's Environmental Analysis contained at pages 7-16 of said Order, Finding of No Significant Impact, and environmental conditions imposed as listed in Appendix B to said Order; and

Has Adopted Document(s) Been Challenged: No

The Document(s) Being Adopted is/are Available to be Read at: The foregoing documents adopted hereunder can be reviewed through the FERC Office of External Affairs at (866)208-FERC or on the FERC website (www.ferc.gov). Under "Documents and Filings select the "eLibrary" link, select "Docket Search" from the eLibrary menu, enter the selected date range and "Docket Number" excluding the last three digits (i.e., CP17-441), and select "Submit". For assistance, the helpline can be reached at (866)208-3676, TTY (202)502-8659, or at FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov.

The documents adopted hereunder may also be reviewed in person at the Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services, County Administration Building East, 2nd Floor, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Everett, Washington, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Adoption of Document: In accordance with WAC 197-11-610(1), Snohomish County Department of Planning and Development Services, as lead agency for review of the above described proposal/Project under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), Ch. 43.21C RCW, have identified the North Seattle Lateral Upgrade Project NEPA Environmental Assessment dated February 2018, together with all referenced tables, illustrations and appendices including that Biological Assessment and Essential Fish Habitat Assessment – North Seattle Lateral Upgrade dated October 2017, issued pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA), and accompanying FERC Order Issuing Certificate dated July 19, 2018, as being appropriate for this proposal/Project after independent review. The foregoing environmental documents meet our environmental review needs for the current proposal/Project as to

those elements of the environment identified in the accompanying SEPA mitigated determination of non-significance (MDNS), and the same is hereby adopted to support the MDNS determination.

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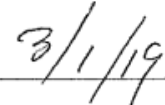
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Randy Middaugh for Responsible Official

Date: 

Date Issued: March 6, 2019 – kjarnett/NRC

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Utilities	Public Utility District #1 of Snohomish County
Federal and Tribes	Army Corps of Engineers U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Muckleshoot Tribe Tulalip Tribes Stillaguamish Tribe Suquamish Tribe
Adjacent Property Owners	Notice of the issuance of this Determination of Nonsignificance has been mailed to property owners of record within 500 feet of the external boundaries of this project.
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