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STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

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Agency File Number: RR8023

Project Name: Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan – 2021

Description of Proposal:

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To ensure that solid waste is collected, handled, recycled, and disposed of in an environmentally sound manner that protects public health, Washington State regulations require the county to have an approved comprehensive solid waste management plan. The proposed *Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan – 2021* updates the Snohomish County Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan. The Plan describes the management of all aspects of solid waste generated by residents and businesses in the county and will be adopted as both a Six-Year and Twenty-Year plan with goals and recommendations for solid waste management within Snohomish County.

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Location of Proposal: The updated 2021 Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan will guide operations at all Snohomish County Solid Waste facilities and facilities and coordinate solid waste management throughout Snohomish County.

Threshold Determination: Snohomish County Public Works has determined that this proposal will 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 Design Report. This information is available at:

<https://snohomishcountywa.gov/5958/Comprehensive-Solid-Waste-and-Hazardous->

Snohomish County Public Works has determined 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.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) on February 3, 2022. It will be published on February 9, 2022,

and the comment period will end at 5:00 PM PST on February 23, 2022. Send any comments to the Agency Contact.

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Appeal Process: This DNS may be appealed pursuant to the requirements of SCC 30.61.300 and Chapter 2.02 SCC. There is a 14-day appeal period for this 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 \$500.00, and be filed in writing. The appeal must be received by 5:00 PM PST on February 23, 2022.

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 County Hearing Examiner, within seven (7) 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.

Currently, in person filings are suspended due to COVID-19 safety protocols

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Appeals may be accepted electronically and paid for by credit card over the phone as follows:

- Scan the original signed copy of the appeal document.
- Send your appeal as an email attachment to epermittech@snoco.org. Please include a phone number where you can be reliably reached.
- Staff will call you to collect your credit card information and process your payment.
- Mail the original copy to: Snohomish County PDS, 3000 Rockefeller Ave M/S 604, Everett, WA 98201

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Natural Resources Conservation Service
NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service – North Puget Sound Branch

State Agencies:

Department of Ecology- SEPA Register, Solid Waste Management Program
Department of Archaeology & Historic Preservation

Tribal Governments:

Muckleshoot Tribe
Samish Indian Nation
Sauk-Suiattle Tribe
Skagit River System Cooperative
Snoqualmie Tribe
Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians
Suquamish Tribe
Swinomish Indian Tribal Community
Tulalip Tribes
Upper Skagit Indian Tribe

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Bothell - City Manager, Public Works Director
Brier - Mayor, Public Works Supervisor
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Edmonds - PW and Utilities Director, Mayor
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Marysville - Mayor, Public Works Director, Communications Administrator
Mill Creek - Public Works Director, City Manager, Interim Director of Communications and Marketing
Monroe - Mayor, City Administrator, Public Works Director
Mountlake Terrace - City Manager, PW Director, City Clerk Community Relations
Mukilteo - Mayor, Interim Public Works Director, Executive Assistant
Snohomish - Mayor, Economic Development/Communications Manager, City Engineer
Stanwood - Public Works Director, City Administrator, Mayor
Sultan - City Administrator, Public Works Director, Mayor
Woodway - City Administrator, PW Director, Mayor

Other:

The Herald
Solid Waste Advisory Committee
Libraries: Everett Public Library and Sno-Isle Libraries
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SEPA CHECKLIST

**Snohomish County Comprehensive Solid and
Hazardous Waste Management Plan**

**Snohomish County
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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.

SUMMARY

A. BACKGROUND

Name of proposed project:

Snohomish County Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan

Name of applicant:

**Snohomish County Public Works Department
Solid Waste Division**

Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

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Date checklist prepared:

January 21, 2022

Agency requesting checklist:

Snohomish County Public Works

Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

The Snohomish County Comprehensive Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan (Plan) provides recommendations and policies through 2041. The Plan and SEPA Environmental Checklist will be submitted to the Department of Ecology (Ecology) for review. If approved by Ecology, the Plan will then be submitted to the Snohomish County Council for review. If approved, the Snohomish County Council will adopt the Plan by motion. This process is expected to be completed spring 2022.

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

This Plan is written to be a dynamic document. Minor modifications, which do not affect the basic goals of the Plan, may be made throughout the lifetime of this document. Decisions to either undertake actions outside the Six-Year Implementation Schedule or that alter the Plan's Vision, major goals, or policies, will be defined as major plan revisions and require a

full approval process. In general, the Plan is reviewed every 6 years and is scheduled for a 2027 update.

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

Ten Technical Memorandums on related topics were prepared as part of this Plan. The memos prepared are: Climate Change and Sustainability, Waste Prevention, Recycling, Organics, Waste Collection, Transfer, Disposal, Energy from Waste, Outreach and Education, Administration and Regulation. The Appendices also include: Moderate Risk Waste Plan, Solid Waste Facility Siting, Waste Quantities and Composition, Contamination Reduction and Outreach Plan.

Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, please explain.

No.

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

State Law (RCW 70A.205.040) and guidelines issued by the Department of Ecology (Guidelines for Development of Local Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plans and Plan Revisions) require the cities and towns to adopt the plan (or they must develop their own plans), require a public review period for a minimum of 30 days, require that the plan and a Cost Assessment Questionnaire be reviewed and approved by the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission, and require Ecology and the Department of Agriculture to examine and comment on the preliminary draft plan. The Board of County Commissioners and the cities and towns must also adopt the final draft of the plan. After adoption by the County and cities, Ecology must approve the plan before it becomes effective.

The process for government approval will be:

- **Prepare and release the Preliminary Draft plan**
- **Public and agency comment period**
- **Address comments received and incorporate those into the Final Draft**
- **Adoption of Final Draft by cities and county**
- **Review and approval of the final draft by Ecology**

1. Give a brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project 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).

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2. Location of 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/range if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of areas, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide 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 plan applies to all solid waste management properties throughout Snohomish County.

B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

1. Earth

- a. General description of the site (check one): **Not Applicable**
- FLAT
 - ROLLING
 - HILLY
 - STEEP SLOPES
 - MOUNTAINOUS
 - OTHER (please describe): [Click here to enter text.](#)
- b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?
Does Not Apply.
- c. What general types of soil are found on the site (i.e., 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.
There are many different soil types in Snohomish County.
- d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, please describe.
Does Not Apply
- 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.
Does Not Apply
- f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction or use? If so, please generally describe.
Does Not Apply
- g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (i.e., asphalt or buildings)?
Does Not Apply
- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:
Does Not Apply

2. Air

- 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, please generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.
Does Not Apply
- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, please generally describe.
Does Not Apply

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:
Does Not Apply

3. Water

a. Surface Water:

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, please describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.

Does Not Apply.

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.

Does Not Apply

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.

Does Not Apply

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

Does Not Apply

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

No.

6. Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, please describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.

Does Not Apply

b. Groundwater:

1. Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, please give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well.

No.

2. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Please give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

Does Not Apply

3. Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (i.e., domestic sewage, industrial, containing the following chemicals..., agricultural, etc.).

Does Not Apply

4. 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.

Does Not Apply

- c. Water Runoff (including storm water):

1. Describe the source of runoff (including stormwater) 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, please describe.

Does Not Apply

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

No.

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

[Click here to enter text.](#)

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

Does Not Apply

4. Plants

- a. Check all types of vegetation below found on or in close proximity to the site: **Not Applicable**

deciduous tree: alder, maple, cottonwood, other

evergreen tree: fir, cedar, hemlock, pine, other

shrubs

grass

pasture

crop or grain

orchards, vineyards, or other permanent crops

wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bulrush, skunk cabbage, other

water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other

other types of vegetation present: [Click here to enter text.](#)

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

None.

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

None.

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

None.

- e. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation of the site, if any:

None.

5. Animals

- a. List any birds and other animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site. **Does Not Apply**
- b. **birds:** hawks, heron, eagle, songbirds, owls, ducks, woodpeckers
- c. **mammals:** deer, bear, elk, beaver, opossum, raccoon, coyote, small rodents
- d. **fish:** salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other):
- e. **other:** [Click here to enter text.](#)
- f. List any threatened and endangered wildlife species known to be on or near the site.

Where federal threatened and endangered species are found, any future work associated with the plan's implementation will conform to the requirements of the Endangered Species Act administered by the US Fish and Wildlife Service and the National Marine Fisheries Service. Where state listed species or Priority Habitats and Species (PHS) are found, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Priority Habitats and Species recommendations will be followed, when appropriate.

- g. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, please explain.
Snohomish County lies within the Pacific Flyway for migratory birds which stretches between Alaska and South America. All migratory birds are protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act administered by the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

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

Does Not Apply.

- i. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any: **Does Not Apply**

6. Energy and Natural Resources

- a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Please describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

- 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:

A major goal of this Plan is to support actions which will reduce climate change and promote sustainability.

7. Environmental Health

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

The Solid Waste Division has operated a Moderate Risk Waste (MRW) collection facility since 1996. This facility offers free disposal of household hazardous waste from Snohomish County residents and commercial businesses that generate small quantities of hazardous waste.

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

Does Not Apply.

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.

None.

3. Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or any time during the operating life of the project.

Various chemicals and materials (acids, bases, batteries, paints, stains, aerosols) are temporarily stored at the MRW facility until the County's hazardous waste contractor is contacted for pick of the materials

4. Describe special emergency services that might be required.

The MRW facility has been designed to contain minor spills if they occur. The staff is trained in emergency procedures. If a major spill of fire occurred staff would contact local emergency services.

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

Improving solid waste collection will help reduce environmental health hazards by removing potential risks from the environment.

- b. Noise:

1. What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (i.e., traffic, equipment, operation, aircraft, other)?

Does Not Apply.

2. What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or long-term basis (i.e., traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site.

Does Not Apply.

3. Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:
Does Not Apply

8. Land and Shoreline Use

- a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land use on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, please describe.

Does Not Apply.

- b. Has the site been used as working farmlands or working forestlands? If so, please describe. How much agriculture or forestland of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses as a result of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forestland tax status will be converted to non-farm or non-forest use?

Does Not Apply

1. Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farmland or forestland's normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how:

Does Not Apply.

- c. Describe any structures on the site.

Does Not Apply

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply

- k. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to nearby agricultural and forestlands of long-term commercial significance, if any:

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply

- m. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement, if any:

Does Not Apply.

9. Housing

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

10. Aesthetics

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

11. Light and Glare

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

12. Recreation

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

Does Not Apply.

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreation uses? If so, please describe.

Does Not Apply

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

Does Not Apply.

13. Historic and Cultural Preservation

- 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 located on or near the site? If so, please general describe.

There are several hundred recorded historical sites in Snohomish County. Some of these are listed on, or eligible for, national, state or local preservation registers. The Solid Waste Plan will not directly affect any of these sites.

- b. Are there any landmarks, features or other evidence of Tribal 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 many landmarks, features or other evidence of Tribal or historic use and occupation within Snohomish County. The Solid Waste Plan will not directly affect any of these locations.

- a. Describe 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.

Any future site work associated with plan implementation would b screened by Snohomish County Public Works to determine site proximity to known archaeological and cultural sites.

- b. 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:

Does Not Apply.

14. Transportation

- 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.

Does Not Apply.

- b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, please generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?

Does Not Apply.

- c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project proposal eliminate?

Does Not Apply.

- d. Will the proposal require any new – or improvements to existing – roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle, or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, please generally describe (indicate private or public).

Does Not Apply.

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

Solid waste from Snohomish County is transported by rail to the Roosevelt Regional Landfill in Klickitat County, Washington. The current waste export contract extends to 2028.

- f. 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 or non-passenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?

Does Not Apply.

- g. 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, please generally describe.

Does Not Apply.

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

Does Not Apply.

15. Public Services

- a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (i.e., fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, please generally describe.

Does Not Apply

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

Does Not Apply

16. Utilities Not Applicable

- a. Check all utilities currently available at the site:

- Electricity
- Natural Gas
- Water
- Refuse Service
- Telephone
- Sanitary Sewer
- Septic System
- Other (please describe) [Click here to enter text.](#)

- b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site of in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

C. SIGNATURE

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.

Signature:  _____

Printed name and Digital Signature Michael B. Smith  _____

Position and Agency/Organization: Project Specialist IV, Snohomish County Solid Waste Division

Date Submitted: January 21, 2022

D. Supplemental sheet for non-project actions

(IT IS NOT NECESSARY to use this sheet 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?

This proposal would not increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

Snohomish County Solid Waste Management will support efforts and actions by County and other agencies to reduce GHG emissions and to lessen and prepare for the impacts of climate change through various initiatives such as waste prevention, recycling, and energy-from-waste.

Snohomish County Solid Waste Management will continue efforts to reduce the generation and toxicity of moderate risk waste, and to ensure that convenient, cost effective and sustainable options for its safe management are available.

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

This proposal would not affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life.

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

Does not apply

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

This proposal would not deplete energy or natural resources.

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

The County will continue to monitor developments and progress in energy-from-waste including new technologies, pilot projects, facility procurements and operating track records, and other projects in the region.

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?

This proposal would not affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated for governmental protection.

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

Does not apply

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?

This proposal would not affect land use and shoreline use.

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

Does not apply

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

This proposal would not increase demand for transportation or public services and utilities.

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

Snohomish County Solid Waste Management Division will provide a variety of equitable and efficient waste transfer services to County residences and businesses. The County will continue to offer and develop programs that encourage recycling, as well as continue to promote and expand the collection and non-landfilling of yard debris, wood waste, and food waste.

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

This proposal would not conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements.