

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS) (WAC 197-11-970)

Name of Proposal: Twin City Pole Yard

Description of Proposal: This project would build a 1.5-acre pole yard for storage of poles and associated electrical equipment (transformers, conductors, pole arms, and similar items) adjacent to Snohomish PUD's Twin Cities substation at 7400 Pioneer Highway. Construction of this pole yard would reduce trips by Snohomish PUD crews working on utility construction projects or responding to electrical outages in the Stanwood or Camano Island areas by avoiding the need to drive to Arlington or Everett to get these materials. Response times to outages in the Stanwood and Camano Island service areas would also be significantly reduced.

Proponent: Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County

Location of Proposal, including address, if any: 7400 Pioneer Highway, Stanwood, WA.

Lead Agency: Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County

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 43.21.030(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.

	There is no comment period for this DNS.
<u>X</u>	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 May 21, 2022.

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The threshold determination includes reference to and review of the following environmental information concerning the project:

- 1. SEPA Checklist, Twin City Pole Yard, April 18, 2022
- 2. Geotechnical Engineering Report, Zipper Geo, Inc., April 15, 2022
- 3. Traffic Analysis prepared by Gibson Traffic Consultants, March 30, 2022
- 4. Stomwater Site Plan Report prepared by CG Engineering, April 15, 2022
- 5. Critical Areas Determination Report, Wetland Resources, Inc., July 11, 2019

- 6. Desktop Cultural Resources Assessment, Terracon Consultants, Inc, December 21, 2017
- 7. Phase I Environmental Assessment for the Snohomish PUD Twin City Substation, Terracon Consultants, Inc., December 14, 2017

Reviewing Agencies:

- City of Stanwood, WA
- Snohomish County
- Stillaguamish Tribe
- Tulalip Tribes
- Swinomish Tribe

- Washington Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
- Burlington Northern Railroad
- Washington Department of Ecology
- Washington Department of Transportation