

## NOTIFICATION OF SEPA DETERMINATION

November 7, 2023

This letter is to inform you that Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County has evaluated the proposal described below under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and made a determination concerning the potential impacts. The evaluation for this proposal included a comprehensive review of current and past environmental documents related to the Nonproject Action proposal.

**Name of Proposal:** Draft Snohomish PUD 2023 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Update

**Description of Proposal:** The draft Snohomish PUD 2023 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Update is a non-project action that proposes a long-term resource strategy to provide reliable electric service to customers at the lowest, reasonable cost, under a variety of futures the PUD could face over the period of 2024 through 2045. To achieve this objective, a range of alternatives is considered. This requires a plan that is flexible for the PUD, and that can adapt to changing circumstances without adverse financial impacts or other risks. The plan also incorporates a near term action plan that implements the long-term resource strategy. The proposed long-term resource strategy and action plan are considered for adoption by the Board of Commissioners of the Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County. Any Washington state utility with more than 25,000 customers must conduct a comprehensive integrated resource planning process every four years and provide an update to its plan every two years, per Chapter 19.280.030, Revised Code of Washington. To the extent a particular project or generating resource is contemplated as it relates to one of these programmatic activities, the project itself would undergo a more comprehensive analysis, of a type that is appropriate to the project, including a project-specific environmental review. The draft 2023 IRP Update was initially presented to the PUD's Board of Commissioners for consideration on October 30, 2023.

**Proposal Location:** The draft Snohomish PUD 2023 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) Update is a non-project proposal that does not include specific locations or projects.

A copy of the official State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) determination letter is enclosed for your information.

The SEPA determination and environmental checklist were also emailed to the following agencies and organizations with an interest in the project:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Tulalip Tribes                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Washington State Department of Commerce |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Washington Department of Ecology        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Snohomish County Planning and Development Services | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NW Energy Coalition                     |

This letter and the attached documents are intended to inform you of the proposed Nonproject Action and the SEPA process. The environmental checklist and other documents related to this proposal are available online at <http://www.snopud.com/sepa>. Questions or comments regarding the proposal may be directed to Garrison Marr, Senior Manager, Power Supply, at 425-783-8268 or [gbmarr@snopud.com](mailto:gbmarr@snopud.com), and questions or comments regarding the SEPA determination may be directed to Colleen Murphy, Manager, Environmental Affairs, at 425-783-5504 or [CMMurphy@snopud.com](mailto:CMMurphy@snopud.com).