

NOTIFICATION OF SEPA DETERMINATION

September 9, 2024

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

Name of Project: Woods Creek Shelter and Trail

Project Location: 10700 Hand Road, Monroe, Washington. Latitude 47.89959 N and Longitude - 121.87558 W

Project Description: The proposed project includes the construction of a 20' x 40' covered shelter located at the existing Woods Creek hydroelectric facility. Additionally, a trail will be built to connect the sheltered area to the powerhouse. The purpose of this project is to provide a covered area that will be used during educational tours and gatherings.

In addition to the proposed work, this project evaluation also includes an impact analysis and proposed mitigation for clearing that occurred on the west side of Woods Creek within critical area buffer. The clearing occurred in the footprint of an overgrown access road for the purposes of emergency access to infrastructure located on the western side of Woods Creek.

A copy of the official State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) determination letter is enclosed for your information and has been mailed to the property owners adjacent to or affected by the proposed project.

The SEPA determination and environmental checklist have also been provided to the following agencies and organizations with an interest in the project:

☑ Washington Department of Ecology
☑ Snohomish County
☑ Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
☑ Washington Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
☑ Washington Department of Natural Resources

This letter and the attached document are intended to inform you of the project and the SEPA process. The environmental checklist and other documents related to this project proposal are available on the District's website at www.snopud.com/sepa.

Questions or comments regarding the project may be directed to the project leader, Jerome Drescher at 425-783-8425, and questions or comments regarding the SEPA determination may be directed to the responsible official, Keith Binkley, at 425-783-1769.