



Community Development Department

203 S. Pacific Avenue, PO Box 819 Kelso, WA 98626



PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an open record public hearing is scheduled before the Hearings Examiner, Thursday, January 22, 2015 at 3:00 pm in the Kelso City Hall Council Chambers, 201 S. Pacific Avenue, Kelso, WA 98626.

The hearing will allow the city to receive comments on the proposed project as outlined below. File no. SHR14-001 Type II Administrative Review and File no. SHR14-002 Type III Hearing Examiner Review (*Parcels No. 24393, 24100*).

On September 23, 2014, the Kelso Community Development Department received an application from Winters Anchor Point, LLC to continue use of an existing dredge material disposal site. The project proposes placement of up to 3 million cubic yards and subsequent ongoing placement and/or removal of approximately 0.5 to 2.2 million cubic yards annually of Cowlitz River dredged material during the years 2014 to 2019. Dredged materials will be placed hydraulically. The material is then dewatered and suspended material is removed from discharge through infiltration and settlement, and the water is returned to the river through a weir and outfall system. Following dewatering, the applicant contracts with a sand and gravel company, who holds a State Department of Natural Resources mining permit, to remove the dewatered material for sale. The dredged material comes from the Cowlitz River under permits held by the US Army Corps of Engineers for maintenance of channels for flood abatement. The application was determined to be complete on October 21, 2014. A Notice of Application dated November 12, 2014, was sent through first-class mail and published in the Daily News as required per KMC Chapter 18B.05.

The site is located at the southern end of the City of Kelso on the east bank of the Cowlitz River between River 0 & 1. Interstate 5 and BNSF and UP Railroad Lines are near the east and north edges of the property. The Cowlitz River and Carrolls Slough border the west and southern edges of the site. The site is within Sections 11, 12, 13 & 14 of Township 7 North, Range 2 West, Willamette Meridian in Cowlitz County, Washington.

The City of Kelso will need to issue a shoreline substantial development/conditional use permit for the proposal. A Hydraulic Project Approval (HPA) from the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife is also needed.

This is an ongoing project. A State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) process was completed in June and July 2007. The Kelso SEPA Official has determined that conditions have not changed enough to warrant a new SEPA process.

Application materials for this proposal are available for review at the Kelso Community Development Department, 203 S. Pacific Ave., Kelso, WA 98626.

If you have any questions, please contact Michael Kardas, Kelso Community Development Director at (360) 577-3376.

The Council Chambers room is handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs, including handicap accessibility or interpreter, will be made upon receiving 24-hour advance notice. Contact the City Clerk's Office at (360) 423-0900.

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