



SEPA #: LUA2021-0010

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: William Tastad of Cowlitz County is requesting Zoning Map amendment review for a current parcel located near 1600 S 13th Avenue in Kelso. The parcel is currently zoned as Open Space, which conflicts with the Comprehensive Plan Map's designation of Light Industrial. The site is a previously disturbed gravel parking lot and the proposed amendment would allow Cowlitz County to construct a 3,600 square foot metal storage building with seven bays. Per WAC 197-11-800(6) Categorical Exemptions- Land Use Decisions, the proposed rezone must be consistent with and cannot require an amendment to the comprehensive plan. The applicable comprehensive plan must have also been previously subjected to environmental review and analysis through an EIS under the requirements in WAC 197-11-800 prior to adoption; and the EIS must have adequately addressed the environmental impacts of the rezone to be categorically exempt. The applicant's proposal meets the requirements to be categorically exempt from SEPA review and a Determination of Non-significance has been issued.

Proponent: Cowlitz County, represented by William Tastad

Lead agency: City of Kelso, Community Development Department

Kelso Community Development has determined that this proposal does 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 other information on file with the City. This information is available to the public on request.

This will be the only comment period for this DNS. As per WAC 197-11-340(2); this agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below.

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Date: June 17, 2021

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The comment period ends at 5:00 pm on July 1, 2021.