

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)

Non-Project Action

Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

Name of Proposal: King County Green Building Ordinance Update – Modifying the green building and sustainable infrastructure program

Description of Proposal: Amendments to King County’s green building and sustainable infrastructure program in King County Code (KCC) chapter 18.17. The updates would reorganize and amend the green building regulations and modify the reporting and fiscal stewardship requirements relating to green building. As part of the updates, the ordinance expands the types of green building rating systems that can be used, lowers the size of buildings requiring certification, requires projects to achieve applicable equity and social justice credits, requires County projects to divert 100 percent of economically valuable waste from landfills by 2030, and institutes a waiver process by which projects may be exempted from the requirements.

Additional information about the proposal can be found here:
<https://kingcounty.gov/green-building-ordinance>

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Location of Proposal: King County, Washington

Lead Agency: King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Solid Waste Division

Responsible Official: Pat D. McLaughlin, Director, Solid Waste Division

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Threshold Determination

The responsible official finds that the above-described proposal does not pose a probable significant adverse impact to the environment. This finding is made pursuant to RCW 43.21C, KCC 20.44, and WAC 197-11, after reviewing the environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency, considering the extent to which the proposed updates will cause adverse environmental effects in


excess of those created, or mitigated, by existing regulations, and considering any measures which the agency or the proponent will implement as part of the proposal. The responsible official finds this information reasonably sufficient to evaluate the environmental impact of this proposal and conclude the proposed action will not have a significant impact to current or continued use of the environment.

THIS DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2). The lead agency will not act on this proposal until after **February 2, 2022**. Comments must be received by King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Solid Waste Division prior **to 4:00 PM** on that date.

For additional information, please contact the proponent's contact or the responsible official listed above.

Address for comments:
Emailed comments encouraged

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