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Subject: SEPA Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

Project Name: DES-Campus Security Wedge Barrier

Description of Proposal: DES is proposing to construct security vehicle barriers at two separate locations on the West Capitol Campus in Olympia.

One location is at the intersection of Sid Snyder Way and Columbia Street SW. Another location is at the intersection of 11th Avenue SW and Water Street SW.

Warning signals, detour signage, and security cameras for operation of the vehicle barriers would be included in the project scope.

Each project site will be approximately 10 feet in length across each indicated intersection location.

Location of Proposal: Washington State Capitol Campus

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1.0 SEPA Threshold Determination

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the proposal does not have a probable significant adverse environmental impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c).

This Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14-days from the date of issue. If conditions are added, deleted, or modified during the 30-day review period, a modified DNS will be issued.

1.1 Analysis

The following describes the analysis conducted to determine if the proposal will likely result in *probable significant adverse environmental impacts*. This decision was made after a review of the completed environmental checklist, as well as the following documents:

- A qualified professional arborist review
- Tree protection measures and inspections of potential trees impacted by this project.

1.1.1 Elements of the Environment

Earth

The project is not anticipated to result in any direct impacts on soil conditions. The site is flat, no soil will be removed from the project area, and no permanent cut, fill, or grading is proposed.

The project will not change the quantity of impervious surface on the site, nor is any erosion likely to occur.

Air

Impacts on air quality are expected to be typical for a construction project of this scale. No emission sources are known beyond those from construction equipment.

Water

The project is not within 200FT of any surface water body or the FEMA-defined 100-year floodplain.

Regarding stormwater management: no new impervious areas are proposed. The project will not change the amount of impervious surface on the site.

Plants

No vegetation will be removed from the existing site. Impacted vegetation for utility trenches will be restored as needed.

Animals

There are no known invasive animal species known to be on or near the project site. No threatened or endangered species are on or near the site. Three species of bats considered

sensitive in Washington state are mapped in the vicinity. The existing project site does not provide essential habitat for these species, nor would the quality of habitat change.

There are no anticipated impacts on wildlife due to this proposal.

Energy and Natural Resources

The proposed wedge barriers will need electric energy to operate. The system will meet and/or exceed current energy codes once installed.

This project will not affect potential solar energy systems with adjacent properties.

Environmental Health

There are no known environmental health hazards that could occur as a result of this project. On-site hazardous materials are expected to be typical for the construction and operation of this project size.

Land and Shoreline Use

This proposal will not affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties.

There are no anticipated impacts on agricultural or forest lands, and the project area is outside Thurston County's shoreline jurisdiction.

Housing

No impacts on housing are proposed.

Aesthetics

No impacts on Aesthetics are proposed.

Light and Glare

No impacts on Light and glare are proposed.

Recreation

No impacts on recreation are proposed.

Historic and cultural preservation

There are no historic buildings on the project site; however, the site is adjacent to the Newhouse building redevelopment project. This project has been reviewed by DAHP and will be monitored under the development as part of the Legislative Campus Modernization project.

Transportation

No impacts on Transportation are proposed.

Public Services

No impacts on Public Services are proposed.

Utilities

The following utilities are currently available on site: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, and a sanitary sewer area.

2.0 Public Comment

The responsible official will reconsider the DNS based on timely comments and may retain, modify, or withdraw the DNS if significant adverse impacts are likely. If the DNS is retained, it will be final after the expiration of the comment deadline. Comments may be submitted to Jennifer Gerard (jennifer.gerard@des.wa.gov).

3.0 Appeals

Anyone wishing to appeal the final SEPA determination by the Lead Agency may submit an appeal within the 30-day appellate period outlined in WAC 200-10; or may proceed with an appeal under RCW 43.21C.075