PORT OF PORT TOWNSEND ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

Purpose of checklist:

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), chapter 43.21C RCW, requires all governmental agencies to consider the environmental impacts of a proposal before making decisions. An environmental impact statement (EIS) must be prepared for all proposals with probable significant adverse impacts on the quality of the environment. The purpose of this checklist is to provide information to help you and the agency identify impacts from your proposal (and to reduce or avoid impacts from the proposal, if it can be done) and to help the agency decide whether an EIS is required.

Instructions for applicants:

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Governmental agencies use this checklist to determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant, requiring preparation of an EIS. Answer the questions briefly, with the most precise information known, or give the best description you can.

You must answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. In most cases, you should be able to answer the questions from your own observations or project plans without the need to hire experts. If you really do not know the answer, or if a question does not apply to your proposal, write "do not know" or "does not apply." Complete answers to the questions now may avoid unnecessary delays later.

Some questions ask about governmental regulations, such as zoning, shoreline, and landmark designations. Answer these questions if you can. If you have problems, the governmental agencies can assist you.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Use of checklist for non-project proposals:

Complete this checklist for nonproject proposals, even though questions may be answered "does not apply." IN ADDITION, complete the SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTIONS (part D).

For nonproject actions, the references in the checklist to the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proposer," and "affected geographic area," respectively.

A. BACKGROUND

- 1. Name of proposed project, if applicable: Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements Update (2020).
- 2. Name of applicant: Port of Port Townsend, Washington.
- 3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

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- 4. Date checklist prepared: Commenced August 27, 2020; completed September 1, 2020.
- 5. Agency requesting checklist: Port of Port Townsend.
- 6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable): It is anticipated that the update to the Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements will be adopted by the Port of Port Townsend Port Commission at its October 14, 2020 regular meeting (i.e., upon second reading, following a scheduled hearing on September 23, 2020). No phasing is necessary or proposed.
- 7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain. No. The proposal is to adopt a programmatic plan describing how the Port intends to expend public monies on capital improvements over the next 20 years. Site-specific SEPA review will be conducted for all project actions described in the Comprehensive Scheme that exceed the categorical exemption thresholds set forth in WAC 197-11-800.
- 8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal. The Port prepared a draft and final environmental impact statement at the time it adopted its 2003 Comprehensive Scheme Update. This EIS continues to be relevant and applicable, as the current update substantially falls within the scope of alternatives analyzed within that document. Specifically, the directly related environmental information is as follows:
 - 1. The Draft Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme & Draft Environmental Impact Statement (an integrated document) issued on September 26, 2003; and
 - 2. <u>The Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme & Final Environmental Impact Statement</u> issued on December 3, 2003.
- 9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain. No. The proposal to update the Comprehensive Scheme is a non-project action under SEPA, not a site-specific proposal. Moreover, no other proposals directly affecting the properties described in this Comprehensive Scheme are currently pending before any governmental body.
- 10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known. Not applicable. The proposal to update the Port's Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements is a non-project action under SEPA. Site specific project review and associated permits would be required for future capital improvements outlined in the Comprehensive Scheme.
- 11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.) The Port of Port Townsend proposes to adopt a revised and updated Comprehensive Scheme. The updated document sets forth substantially the same facility development priorities as the Port's 2003 and 2013 Comprehensive Schemes but in a streamlined and simplified format.

The proposed modifications to the Port's Comprehensive Scheme are intended to more accurately reflect emerging needs and changing capital project priorities. The updated document proposes a range of capital rehabilitation, replacement, and improvement projects that are broadly consistent with the Port's 2013 Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor

Improvements. These improvements are consistent with the "preferred alternative" identified within the integrated Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) and Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements adopted by the Port Commission in 2003. Rather than property acquisition and expansion of capital infrastructure, the updated document emphasizes repair, rehabilitation and replacement of existing capital assets. No changes are presently proposed to the Port's portfolio of real property. In sum, the revised document updates the facilities description narrative of the CSHI and the specific improvement projects anticipated to be undertaken over the next 20 years (i.e., including updated project descriptions, estimated costs, and anticipated timing).

12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist. The proposal is adoption of a programmatic document — the updated Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements. Once adopted, the updated document would apply to all Port of Port Townsend facilities located within Jefferson County, Washington.

B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

1. Earth

- a. General description of the site (circle one): Flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other Not applicable. The proposal is adoption of a programmatic document an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements. The Port's properties and facilities encompass many different landforms, including all those referred to above.
- b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)? Not applicable. See response in 1(a), above.
- c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any prime farmland. Not applicable. See response in 1(a), above.
- d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe. *Not applicable. See response in 1(a), above.*
- e. Describe the purpose, type, and approximate quantities of any filling or grading proposed. Indicate source of fill. *Not applicable. See response in 1(a), above.*
- f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe. *Not applicable. See response in 1(a), above.*
- g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)? Not applicable. See response in 1(a), above.

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any: Not applicable. See response in 1(a), above.

2. Air

- a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal (i.e., dust, automobile, odors, industrial wood smoke) during construction and when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known. Not applicable. The proposal is adoption of a programmatic document an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe. *No.*
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any: None are necessary or proposed. The proposal is a non-project action adoption of an update to the Port's Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.

Water

a. Surface:

- (1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into. Not applicable. The proposal is to adopt a programmatic document, an update to the Port's Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements. That said, the majority of the Port's properties and facilities lie on, or within close proximity to, the inland waters of Puget Sound.
- (2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans. As a programmatic action under SEPA, the proposal involves no project level improvements of any kind. Following adoption, future improvements undertaken consistent with the Comprehensive Scheme would be subject to project level SEPA review unless categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.
- (3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material. Not applicable. As a non-project action, no fill or dredge material will be placed in, or removed from, surface waters or wetlands. Future improvements undertaken consistent with the Comprehensive Scheme would be subject to project level SEPA review unless categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.
- (4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known. Not applicable. As a non-project action, no surface water withdrawals or diversions will be required. Future improvements undertaken consistent with the Comprehensive Scheme would be subject to project level SEPA review unless categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.
- (5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan. Not applicable. A number of port properties and facilities lie within

100-year floodplains. Future improvements undertaken consistent with the Comprehensive Scheme would be subject to project level SEPA review unless categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.

(6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge. Not applicable. Future improvements undertaken consistent with the Comprehensive Scheme involving dischargers of waste materials to surface waters would be subject to project level SEPA review unless categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.

b. Ground:

- (1) Will ground water be withdrawn, or will water be discharged to ground water? Give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known. *No.*
- (2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals. . .; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve. As a non-project action, the proposal does not involve discharges of waste materials.
- c. Water runoff (including stormwater):
 - 1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe. *Not applicable. As a non-project action, the proposal does not involve runoff.*
 - 2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe. No. As a non-project action under SEPA, the proposal does not involve runoff or waste materials.
- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water impacts, if any: No surface, ground or runoff impacts are proposed by the programmatic proposal; therefore, no mitigation measures are proposed.

4. Plants

a. Check or circle types of vegetation found on the site:

deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other

evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other

shrubs

grass

pasture

crop or grain

wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other

water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other

other types of vegetation

All of the above vegetation types are found on or in proximity to the Port's properties and facilities.

- b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered? Not applicable. As a non-project action, the proposal does not involve the removal or alteration of vegetation.
- c. List threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action and is not site-specific in nature. Any capital improvements undertaken in future to implement the updated Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements would be subject to site-specific review and analysis, including review of the potential existence of, and impacts to, known threatened or endangered plant species.
- d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any: No impacts to vegetation are posed by the proposal; therefore, no mitigation measures are proposed.

5. Animals

a. Underline any birds and animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site:

birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:

mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other: sea otter

fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other: Not applicable. The proposal is to adopt a non-project Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements. However, many of the above-listed bird and animal species are found in east Jefferson County. Any capital improvements undertaken in future to implement the updated Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements would be subject to site-specific review and analysis, including review of the potential existence of, and impacts to, wildlife.

- b. List any threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site. Not applicable. The proposal is to adopt a non-project Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements. Any capital improvements undertaken in future to implement the updated Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements would be subject to site-specific review and analysis, including review of the potential existence of, and impacts to, threatened or endangered species of wildlife.
- c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain. The proposal is a non-project action; in consequence, this question is inapplicable. However, most of east Jefferson County is known to be part of the Pacific Flyway; thus migratory waterfowl pass through or near to the Port's properties and facilities in both spring and autumn. Additionally, the marine waters of Puget Sound, Hood Canal and the Strait of Juan de Fuca are used by juvenile and adult salmonid species for feeding, foraging, and migration.
- d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any: None. Because the programmatic proposal poses no impacts, no measures to preserve or enhance wildlife are proposed.

6. Energy and natural resources

a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.

- b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any: No specific energy conservation features are included. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.

7. Environmental health

- a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so, describe. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
 - (1) Describe special emergency services that might be required. None. See response to 7(a), above.
 - (2) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any: No hazards are posed, so no measures are proposed.

b. Noise:

- (1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- (2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- (3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any: No noise control measures are proposed.

8. Land and shoreline use

- a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- b. Has the site been used for agriculture? If so, describe. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- c. Describe any structures on the site. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.

- d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- e. What is the current zoning classification of the site? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?

 Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port

 Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- h. Has any part of the site been classified as an "environmentally sensitive" area? If so, specify. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any: No impacts are created by the proposal, so no mitigation measures are proposed.
- m. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any: Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements. However, compliance with the requirements of both the Jefferson County Code (JCC) and the Port Townsend Municipal Code (PTMC) at the time of site-specific project review will ensure that future capital improvements are compatible with existing and projected land uses and codes.

9. **Housing**

- a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any: Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements. Moreover, because the proposal occasions no housing impacts, no measures are proposed.

10. **Aesthetics**

- a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any: Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.

11. Light and glare

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any: Not applicable.

 The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend

 Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.

12. Recreation

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

 Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port

 Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements. Moreover, the proposal would not displace any existing recreational uses. Rather, the capital improvements described in the

- Comprehensive Scheme, if successfully completed, would increase public access to Jefferson County's varied recreational and cultural attractions.
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any: Because no adverse impacts are posed by the proposal, no mitigation measures are proposed.

13. Historic and cultural preservation

- a. Are there any places or objects listed on, or proposed for, national, state, or local preservation registers known to be on or next to the site? If so, generally describe. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- b. Generally describe any landmarks or evidence of historic, archaeological, scientific, or cultural importance known to be on or next to the site. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts, if any: No measures are presently proposed.

14. Transportation

- a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site, and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- b. Is site currently served by public transit? If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- c. How many parking spaces would the completed project have? How many would the project eliminate? Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- d. Will the proposal require any new roads or streets, or improvements to existing roads or streets, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private). Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- e. Will the project use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur. *Not applicable. The proposal is a non-*

project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.

g. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any: No measures are presently proposed.

15. Public services

- a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.
- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any. No measures are proposed.

16. Utilities

- a. Underline utilities currently available at the site: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other. Inapplicable. Note, however, that the draft update to the Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements provides detailed information as to the utilities and services currently available at Port properties and facilities.
- b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed. Not applicable. The proposal is a non-project action, adoption of an update to the Port of Port Townsend Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements.

C. SIGNATURE

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature: §

Eric R. Toews, Deputy Director, Port of Port Townsend

Date: September 1, 2020

SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NON-PROJECT ACTIONS

Use this supplemental checklist for "non-project" actions which are different or broader than single sitesspecific project such as plans, policies and program. Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise? The Update to the Port of Port Townsend's Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements should have no direct effect upon these environmental areas. Future capital improvements undertaken following adoption of the update would be subject to site-specific SEPA review if not categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are: None required.

2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life? The proposed Update to the Port of Port Townsend's Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements should have no effect upon plants, animals, fish or marine life. Future capital improvements undertaken following adoption of the update would be subject to site-specific SEPA review if not categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.

Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are: None required.

3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources? The proposed Update to the Port's Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements is unlikely to deplete energy or natural resources. Future capital improvements undertaken following adoption of the update would be subject to site-specific SEPA review if not categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.

Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are: None required.

4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection; such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands? The proposed Update to the Comprehensive Scheme will have no direct upon these environmental elements. Future capital improvements undertaken following adoption of the update would be subject to site-specific SEPA review if not categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.

Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are: None required.

5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans? The proposed Update to the Comprehensive Scheme anticipates future improvements that are consistent with locally adopted land use, zoning and shoreline use, policies and regulations. Accordingly, no incompatibilities with existing plans would be posed by implementation of the Updated Comprehensive Scheme.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are: None required.

6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities? The proposed Update to the Comprehensive Scheme should have no negative effect upon transportation and public services. Future capital improvements undertaken following adoption of the update would be subject to site-specific SEPA review if not categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800.

Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are: None required.

7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment. The proposed Update to the Port's Comprehensive Scheme of Harbor Improvements will not conflict with local, state or federal laws or requirement for the protection of the environment. Future capital improvements undertaken following adoption of the update would be subject to site-specific SEPA review if not categorically exempt under WAC 197-11-800, thereby ensuring consistency with relevant regulations for the protection of the environment.

SIGNATURE

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature:

Eric R. Toews, Deputy Director, Port of Port Townsend

Date: September 1, 2020