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PORT OF SEATTLE
SEPA NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
Terminal 5 Cargo Wharf Rehabilitation and Berth Deepening

The Port of Seattle has completed an environmental analysis, including review of pertinent and available environmental information and preparation of a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Checklist for the following proposal:

Description of the Proposed Action: The Port of Seattle Terminal 5 Wharf Rehabilitation and Berth Deepening project consists of modifications to existing container facilities, including cargo wharf rehabilitation, berth deepening, and electrical service capacity and utility improvements. Individual elements of the project include:

Rehabilitation of the Existing Wharf - The existing 2900-linear-foot cargo wharf would be rehabilitated to allow the structural elements of the wharf to accommodate cargo crane equipment required to serve super Post-Panamax container vessels.

Berth Deepening - The proposed project includes dredging and sediment disposal necessary to deepen adjacent vessel berth depth to up to -55 feet MLLW plus appropriate allowances for advanced maintenance and over depth to match cargo wharf ability to serve increased capacity container ships.

Upgrade Electrical, Water, and Stormwater Systems - The project proposes to upgrade the electrical supply and distribution for increased loads, remove and replace dockside water distribution system and water, and stormwater systems improvements as required as needed to accommodate the rehabilitated cargo wharf and support ongoing operations.

Location of Proposed Action: The project site is located at Terminal 5, on the west margin of the West Waterway, in southwest Elliott Bay, Seattle, Washington (Range 3 East, Township 24 North, and Sections 12 and 13). The project area coincides with the existing wharf area approximately 2,900 linear feet long and approximately 110 feet wide, and the adjoining berth area, extending approximately 175 feet east from the water-ward margin of the existing Terminal 5 wharf. Electrical system and utility upgrades coincides with a small portion of the upland cargo marshaling area near the entrance to the facility.

Lead Agency: Port of Seattle (SEPA No. 15-03)

Determination: The Port of Seattle for this proposal has determined that it will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. As such, an environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under the provisions of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (RCW 43.21, WAC 197-11) and Port of Seattle SEPA Policies and Procedures (Port Commission Resolution 3650). This

decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information which is available upon request. Any action to set aside, enjoin, review, or otherwise challenge such action on the grounds of noncompliance with the provisions of Chapter 43.21C RCW (State Environmental Policy Act) shall be commenced within 21 days from the date of last newspaper publication of the notice or be barred.

Supporting Information: Information used to reach this determination, and applicable State laws and Port of Seattle policies, regulations, and procedures are available for public review at the Port of Seattle office, at the Engineering Services Dept., Second Floor Bid Counter, Pier 69, 2711 Alaskan Way, Seattle. The document is also available for review online at <http://www.portseattle.org/Environmental/Environmental-Documents/SEPA-NEPA/Pages/default.aspx>

Public and Agency Comment: No action will be taken on this proposal until after the 14-day public comment period expires at 4:00 PM on March 23, 2015. The Port will accept public and agency comments until 4:00 PM on March 23, 2015. Please refer any questions relating to this determination or to the proposed actions to Paul Meyer, Port of Seattle, Environmental Services, P.O. Box 1209, Seattle, WA 98111, and Telephone: 206-787-3127 or the Port of Seattle electronic mail Internet address at SEPA.p@portseattle.org. Include your mailing address when submitting comments to the electronic Internet address. The Port will consider comments and publish a final threshold determination no sooner than twenty-one (21) days from the date of this notice.

Appeals: This SEPA DNS determination may be appealed by filing a writ of review in King County Superior Court within twenty-one (21) days of the date the Port formally adopts this determination pursuant to Port of Seattle Resolution No. 3211 and RCW 43.21C.080.



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