

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN and SEPA PROJECT NUMBER
Project Number 2009103063, Folder Number 09 109600 XA

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Proponent: Thurston County Development Services
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Description of Proposal:

This SEPA review is for 2012 Thurston County Comprehensive Plan Land Use Amendments and associated development regulations and zoning amendments. This update is part of a schedule of periodic reviews required by the Growth Management Act. Because these proposed amendments are not associated with a specific development proposal, they are being reviewed as Non-project Actions, in accordance with the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA).

Following is a brief summary of the proposed code changes. If you would like a more detailed description of the proposed changes, please go to the web page at: http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/PLANNING/comp_plan/comp_plan_home.htm and http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/PLANNING/subdivision/subdivision_home.htm, or contact staff above.

A. Olympia UGA Site Specific Comprehensive Plan, Land Use Plan Amendment - Project Number 2009103063 Medela, S13/T18/R1W

The proposal is to amend the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Olympia and the Olympia UGA to change the land use plan from Residential 4 to 8 units per Acre (R 4-8) to Residential Multifamily 18 (RM 18). A variety of density proposals will be evaluated.

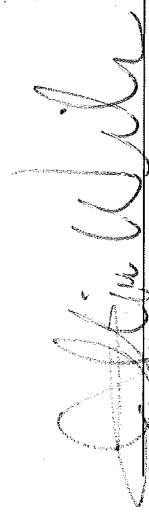
Critical areas, including Indian Creek and an associated wetland system, lie to the east and southeast of the subject area and may limit development around this area or require the transfer of density outside of critical areas and buffers.

Location of Proposal: Thurston County Tax Parcel No.: Multiple
Section/Township/Range: N/A

Threshold Determination: The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact upon the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(C). This decision was made after review by the Lead Agency of a completed Environmental Checklist and other information on file with the Lead Agency. This information is available to the public on request.

Jurisdiction: Thurston County
Lead Agency: Development Services
Responsible Official: Cliff Moore, Resource Stewardship Director

Date of Issue: October 11, 2012
Comment Deadline: October 25, 2012
Appeal Deadline: November 1, 2012


Cynthia Wilson, Environmental Review Officer

This Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) is issued under 197-11-340; the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issue. No permits may be issued, and the applicant shall not begin work until after the comment and any appeal periods have expired and any other necessary permits are issued. If conditions are added, deleted, or modified during the 14-day review period, a modified DNS will be issued. Otherwise, this DNS will become final after the expiration of the comment deadline and appeal period, if applicable.

APPEALS: Threshold determinations may be appealed pursuant to TCC 1709.160 if: (1) a written notice of appeal, meeting the requirements of TCC 17.09.160(4), and the appropriate appeal fee is received by the Thurston County Development Services Department within seven calendar days of the last day of the comment period; and (2) the person filing the appeal meets the requirements of TCC 17.09.160(2).

NOTE: The issuance of this Determination of Nonsignificance does not constitute project approval. The applicant must comply with all applicable requirements of Thurston County Departments and/or the Hearing Examiner prior to receiving permits.

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