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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Name of Proposal: 2010 King County Transportation Concurrency Management (TCM) Program update to King County Code (KCC) 14.70.

Date of Issuance: Friday, September 10, 2010

Description of Proposal: This non-project action by the King County Department of Transportation, Road Services Division, proposes to update the TCM program by adopting an ordinance to amend the transportation concurrency chapter KCC 14.70. The proposed ordinance adopts a new Transportation Concurrency map. King County Code 14.70.270 requires an annual update of the concurrency map based on updated travel time surveys, standards and methodologies.

The purpose of the TCM program is to ensure the road level of service (LOS) standards in the King County Comprehensive Plan are achieved concurrently with development. Concurrency testing evaluates travel time by roadway mileage within travel sheds (geographic areas within which all development would be likely to use or be affected by traffic on arterials within the travel shed). Eighty-five percent of travel shed arterial mileage must meet minimum LOS concurrency standards for a travel shed to pass the concurrency test. The concurrency map indicates the passage or failure of the travel sheds and is the basis of determining concurrency for both residential and nonresidential development proposals; no certificate of transportation concurrency is issued. Unincorporated King County is currently divided into 25 travel sheds.

The 2010 Transportation Concurrency map identifies five travel sheds that are failing, compared with the four that were failing in 2009. One of the sheds failing in 2009 has moved back into concurrency compliance, but two travel sheds that were passing last year are now failing.

The proposed action is being taken to comply with King County Code and the Washington State Growth Management Act.

Location of Proposal: Unincorporated King County

Proponent and Lead Agency: King County Department of Transportation, Road Services Division

The lead agency for the proposal has determined that the project does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. The information is available to the public on request (for a nominal photocopying fee) or can be reviewed in the office free of charge. Information about this proposal will also be available on King County's Transportation Concurrency Management Program website at:

http://www.kingcounty.gov/transportation/kcdot/Roads/TransportationPlanning/Concurrency Management.aspx

This Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) is issued under Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for fourteen (14) days from the date of issuance for the DNS per WAC 197-11-502. Any comments regarding this project must be submitted by telephone or in writing by 4:30PM on Friday, September 24, 2010. If you have any questions, concerns, or require additional information, please call the transportation planner or the environmental engineer for the project as listed below.

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