

King County

Department of Permitting and Environmental Review

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Addendum to Determination Of Non-Significance (DNS)

Name of Proposal: An ordinance renewing and extending King County's nonnative salmon net pen moratorium.

Description of Proposal: Proposed Ordinance 2018-0310 renews and extends the current moratorium declared under Ordinance 18617 and renewed and extended by Ordinance 18736 on establishment of commercial nonnative salmon net pen aquaculture facilities for an additional six months, as provided by RCW 90.58.590, to allow King County time to continue to evaluate the issues and concerns relating to commercial nonnative salmon net pen aquaculture and to evaluate policy and regulatory changes that are needed to eliminate the risk of nonnative salmon net pen aquaculture to King County shoreline resources, native salmon and treaty rights.

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Location of Proposal:

Marine waters of Unincorporated King County

Addendum to SEPA Threshold Determination: This Addendum updates information in a SEPA DNS issued on April 19, 2018, for renewing and extending King County's nonnative salmon net pen moratorium in Ordinance 18736. The existing DNS evaluates environmental impacts from renewal and extension of the current moratorium declared under Ordinance 18617 on establishment of commercial nonnative salmon net pen aquaculture facilities for six months. The modification to the DNS is to include an additional six months of renewal and extension of the moratorium, as outlined in Proposed Ordinance 2018-0310. This addendum adds information about the proposal, but does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts and alternatives in the existing environmental document.

Date of Addendum

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Addendum to Threshold Determination

THIS ADDENDUM TO THE DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-600(4)(c) and 197-11-625. The responsible official finds that the above-described proposal does not pose a probable significant adverse impact to the environment. This finding is made pursuant to RCW 43.21C, KCC 20.44 and WAC 197-11, after reviewing the environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency, considering the extent to which the proposed action will cause adverse environmental effects in excess of those created by existing regulations, and considering mitigation measures which the agency or the proponent will implement as part of the proposal. The responsible official finds this information reasonably sufficient to evaluate the environmental impact of this proposal and conclude that the proposed action will not have a significant impact on current or continued use of the environment. THIS INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON REQUEST (for a nominal photocopying fee or by email).

For additional information, please contact the proponent's contact or the responsible official listed above.