DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal:  South 360th Street at Military Road South Roundabout Project #1131235

Date of Issue:  April 7, 2022

Description of Proposal:  The South 360th Street at Military Road South Roundabout Project #1131235 is designed to improve traffic flow and safety at this intersection for motorized and non-motorized travelers in southern King County. This intersection was identified for improvements by King County’s High Collision Location Report in 2016. Roundabouts are effective at reducing collision rates at busy intersections and provide traffic calming for local neighborhoods. The intersection is presently controlled by a two-way stop along South 360th Street. The northbound left turning traffic and eastbound left turning traffic must compete with heavy southbound traffic on Military Road South during the afternoon commute. Installation of a roundabout at this project location is intended to reduce collisions and reduce queue times for traffic turning onto Military Road South from South 360th Street.

Within the project limits, Military Road South is a two-lane principal arterial that is generally aligned north to south. The roadway consists of two 11-foot-wide asphalt concrete pavement (ACP) lanes with approximately 5-foot-wide ACP shoulders. South 360th Street is a two-lane minor arterial consisting of two 11-foot-wide lanes with ACP shoulders varying in width from 0 to 5 feet. South 360th Street is aligned east to west, connecting to Federal Way to the west and the Spider Lake community to the east.

The roundabout project design will include widened shoulders and sidewalks for non-motorized use, pedestrian splitter islands, crosswalks, signs, guardrails, and illumination. Ramps designed to Americans with Disabilities Act standards will be included at designated crossing locations. The project includes utility relocations, drainage improvements, water quality treatment (i.e., stormwater wetlands), roadside restoration, and mitigation planting for impacts to wetland buffers. Off-site mitigation for impacts to wetlands is also proposed through payment and coordination with the King County In-Lieu Fee Mitigation Program.

King County and the Federal Highway Administration are funding the project. The total project cost is estimated at approximately $4,150,000 with $3,125,000 estimated for construction. Construction will be performed by a contractor.

Location of Proposal:  The project is located in unincorporated King County, west of the City of Algona, Washington. The project site occurs within the northeast and southeast quarters of Section 27 within Township 21N and Range 04E, Willamette Meridian. The geographic coordinates for the project site are latitude 47.659 North and longitude 121.966 West.

Schedule:  The project’s construction schedule is dependent on acquisition of permits, approvals, and property needs. It is anticipated that construction of the project would begin in 2024 and be completed in 2025. Timing for work within critical areas will be limited to what is allowed per the project’s permit and approval conditions. Mitigation planting for unavoidable impacts to site vegetation will generally occur in the fall or winter following construction.
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Proponent and Lead Agency: King County Department of Local Services, Road Services Division

The lead agency for the proposal determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. A State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed SEPA environmental checklist (ECL) and other information on file with the lead agency. Copies of the ECL are available on the project website at Kingcounty.gov/MilitaryRoadS360th.

This 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 issue, per WAC 197-11-502(3)(b).

Comments and Appeals: Although there is no administrative appeal of this threshold DNS (King County Code 20.44.120), the county welcomes your comments. Any comments regarding this DNS must be received by April 21, 2022. Comments may be submitted by email (recommended), US mail, or telephone.

All comments received by this deadline will be reviewed by the lead agency. If you have any questions or concerns, or require additional information, please contact Broch Bender, Communications Program Manager.

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