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Determination of Non-Significance

Name of Proposal: Taylor Creek Mitigation Project

Description of Proposal:

The Taylor Creek Mitigation Project will restore the floodplain topography, connectivity, wetland plant communities and wood density that likely existed in this reach of Taylor Creek prior to residential and agricultural development. The purpose of the project is to re-establish and enhance wetland and aquatic habitat and restore floodplain functions within the lower reaches of Taylor Creek. This reach of Taylor Creek has been channelized for flood control, resulting in lost connectivity with adjacent floodplain wetlands – many of which have been filled to promote agriculture and residential development. The total project area is approximately 13 acres, with ~4 acres of aquatic habitat restoration and 8 acres of upland enhancement.

Location of Proposal:

The Taylor Creek Mitigation Project is located within the Lower Cedar River sub-basin of WRIA 8, north of the City of Maple Valley, in unincorporated King County. The site is located downstream of SR 18 and north of Maxwell Road SE. The project is located on King County owned parcels 0922069031, 0922069035, 0922069036, and 5112400047 and a portion of privately owned parcel 0922069032 at 20920 and 21010 Maxwell Road SE, Maple Valley, WA 98038 in the NE ¼ of Section 9, Township 22N, and Range 6E. The project has right bank and left bank locations in the lower reach of Taylor Creek.

Responsible Official: Josh Baldi

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Proponent and Lead Agency: King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks
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The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An 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 environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. THIS INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC ON REQUEST (for a nominal photocopying fee).

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 until after **August 10, 2018**. Comments must be submitted or postmarked by that date.

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