



King County

Parks and Recreation Division

Department of Natural Resources and Parks

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NOTICE OF ACTION TAKEN

NOTICE IS GIVEN UNDER SEPA, RCW 43.21C.080, THAT THE KING COUNTY PARKS AND RECREATION DIVISION TOOK THE ACTION DESCRIBED IN (2) BELOW ON AUGUST 1, 2017.

1. **Action Deadline:** Any action to set aside, enjoin, review, or otherwise challenge such action on the grounds of noncompliance with the provisions of chapter 43.21C RCW (State Environmental Policy Act) shall be commenced on or before August 29, 2017.
2. **Description of Agency Action:** On February 13, 2017, the Metropolitan King County Council approved the Eastside Rail Corridor (ERC) Trail Master Plan by motion No. 14805 and on August 1, 2017 the King County Parks and Recreation Division Director selected the Master Plan's Preferred Alternative alignment for a regional trail (also known as a shared use path) to accommodate nonmotorized transportation and recreation in the railbanked portion of the ERC.

Note: Trail design and construction will be the subject of future environmental review and are not governed by this Notice of Action.

3. **Description of Proposal:** Consistent with the approved Trail Master Plan, King County's selected alignment for the ERC regional trail is primarily on the railbed, with the following modifications and exceptions:
 - In Renton, unincorporated King County, and south Bellevue, the trail alignment would be slightly shifted in a few locations (between mileposts 5 and 8) to enhance the trail experience and allow buffering for neighbor privacy.
 - In Bellevue, between NE 8th Street to just south of SR 520 the trail alignment would be located off the railbed adjacent to Sound Transit's East Link and the Operations and Maintenance Satellite Facility.
 - In Bellevue, between SR 520 and 108th Avenue NE the trail alignment would be located off the railbed to allow flexibility for potential future transit.
 - In Kirkland, between Slater Avenue and approximately 135th Avenue NE the trail alignment would be off the railbed to allow room for a Puget Sound Energy project and to avoid wetlands.
 - In Woodinville, along the Spur between NE 145th Street and NE 175th Street the trail alignment would be primarily off the railbed to accommodate existing head and tail track operations and to minimize wetland impacts.

This ERC trail alignment was selected based on a conceptual trail design with a 12- to 14-foot-wide paved surface plus a 6-foot gravel shoulder on one side and a 2-foot gravel shoulder on the other, and other trail-planning considerations as articulated in the Trail Master Plan. The actual

trail design will be developed for construction in phases over time. Trail design elements would include intersection treatments, retaining walls, bridges and boardwalks, fencing and barriers, signage, lighting features, landscape elements, and public art.

4. **Location of Proposal:** The trail alignment is located on the approximately 15.6 miles of the ERC under County's ownership and the 1.1 miles of ERC owned by Sound Transit in which the County holds a trail easement. This portion of the ERC passes through Renton, Bellevue, Kirkland, Woodinville, and portions of unincorporated King County.

The south end of the trail alignment begins just north of Gene Coulon Park near N. 29th Street and Lake Washington Boulevard in Renton. From Renton, the trail alignment passes through Bellevue up to 108th Avenue NE (near the S. Kirkland Park & Ride), where it terminates at the southern end of the Cross-Kirkland Corridor. The trail alignment continues from Slater Avenue in Kirkland (the northern end of the Cross-Kirkland Corridor) to near the intersection of NE 175th Street and Woodinville-Redmond Road NE in Woodinville. In addition, the trail alignment encompasses the Spur from NE 124th Street near the border of Kirkland and Redmond to NE 175th Street in Woodinville.

5. **Type of environmental review under SEPA:** King County Parks prepared a combined Master Plan and EIS document for the Eastside Rail Corridor Regional Trail Master Plan Project. The combined Draft Master Plan and EIS was published February 29, 2016 and a combined Final Master Plan and EIS was published July 18, 2016. Addendum #1 to the Final Master Plan and EIS was published on September 7, 2016. The Metropolitan King County Council approved the Final Master Plan by motion #14805 on February 13, 2017. The King County Parks and Recreation Division Director selected the Master Plan's Preferred Alternative alignment on August 1, 2017 as stated in Section 2 above.
6. **Document Availability:** Project documents are available electronically at the project website: www.kingcounty.gov/parks/eastsiderailcorridor. Information can also be made available by contacting Erica Jacobs, Project Manager (contact information below).
7. **Name of agency, proponent, or applicant giving notice:**
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8. **Filing Notice.** This notice is filed August 1, 2017 by:
SEPA Responsible Official: Kevin Brown, Director

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Signature: _____



