



PROJECT ACTION

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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Purpose of checklist:

Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization, or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

Instructions for applicants:

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. You may use "not applicable" or "does not apply" only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown. You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Instructions for Lead Agencies:

Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

A. Background [\[help\]](#)

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable: _____
2. Name of applicant: _____
3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person: _____

4. Date checklist prepared: _____
5. Agency requesting checklist: _____
6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable): _____

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal?

Yes No

a. If yes, explain: _____

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal: _____

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal?

Yes No

a. If yes, explain. _____

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

B. Environmental Elements [\[help\]](#)

1) Earth [\[help\]](#)

a) General description of the site:

Flat

Rolling

Hilly

Steep Slopes

Mountainous

Other (Please describe): _____

b) What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)? _____

c) What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils: _____

d) Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity?

Yes

No

e) If so, describe: _____

f) Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. _____

g) Indicate source of fill: _____

h) Indicate where excavation material is going: _____

i) Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use?

Yes No

j) If so, generally describe: _____

k) About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)? _____

l) Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any: _____

2. Air [\[help\]](#)

a) What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? _____

b) If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known. _____

c) Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal?

Yes No

d) If so, generally describe: _____

e) Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any: _____

3. Water [\[help\]](#)

a) Surface Water: [\[help\]](#)

i) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)?

Yes No

(1) If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into. _____

ii) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters?

Yes No

iii) If yes, please describe and attach available plans. _____

iv) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material. _____

v) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions?

Yes No

vi) Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known. _____

vii) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain?

Yes No

If so, note location on the site plan.

viii) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge. _____

b) Ground Water: [help]

i) Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes?

Yes No

(1) If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known. _____

(2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals...; agricultural; etc.). _____

(3) Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve. _____

c) Water runoff (including stormwater):

i) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known): _____

ii) Where will this water flow? _____

iii) Will this water flow into other waters? Yes No

(1) If so, describe. _____

iv) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? Yes No

(1) If so, describe. _____

v) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site?

Yes No

(1) If so, describe: _____

vi) Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any: _____

4. Plants [help]

a) Check the types of vegetation found on the site:

Deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other

Evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other

Shrubs

Grass

Pasture

Crop or grain

Orchards, vineyards, or other permanent crops.

Wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other

Water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other

Other types of vegetation

b) What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered? _____

c) List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site. _____

d) Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any: _____

e) List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site. _____

5. Animals [\[help\]](#)

f) List any birds and other animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site. _____

Examples include:

Birds:

Hawk

Heron

Eagle

Songbirds

Other:

Mammals:

Deer

Bear

Elk

Beaver

Other:

Fish:

Bass

Salmon

Trout

Herring

Shellfish

Other:

g) List any threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site. _____

h) Is the site part of a migration route? Yes No

i) If so, describe. _____

j) Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any: _____

k) List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.

6. Energy and Natural Resources [\[help\]](#)

a) What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc. _____

b) Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties?

Yes No

i) If so, generally describe. _____

c) What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal?

List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any: _____

7. Environmental Health [\[help\]](#)

a) Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal?

Yes No

i) If so, describe. _____

ii) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses. _____

iii) Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity. _____

iv) Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project. _____

v) Describe special emergency services that might be required. _____

vi) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any: _____

b) Noise

i) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)? _____

ii) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site. _____

iii) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any: _____

8. Land and Shoreline Use [\[help\]](#)

a) What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? _____

b) Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties?

Yes No

i) If so, describe. _____

c) Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands?

Yes No

i) If so, describe. _____

d) How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses as a result of the proposal, if any? _____

e) If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use? _____

f) Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting?

Yes No

i) If so, describe. _____

g) Describe any structures on the site. _____

i) Will any structures be demolished? If so, what? _____

h) What is the current zoning classification of the site? _____

i) What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site? _____

j) If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site? _____

k) Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county?

Yes No

i) If so, describe. _____

l) Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project? _____

m) Approximately how many people would the completed project displace? _____

n) Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any: _____

o) Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any: _____

p) Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any: _____

9. Housing [\[help\]](#)

- a) Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. _____

- b) Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. _____

- c) Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any: _____

10. Aesthetics [\[help\]](#)

- a) What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed? _____

- b) What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed? _____

- c) Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any: _____

11. Light and Glare [\[help\]](#)

- a) What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur? _____

- b) Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views? _____

- c) What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal? _____

- d) Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any: _____

12. Recreation [\[help\]](#)

- a) What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity? _____

- b) Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses?

Yes No

- i) If so, describe. _____

- c) Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any: _____

13. Historic and cultural preservation [\[help\]](#)

- a) Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers?

Yes No

- b) If so, describe. _____

- c) Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries.

Yes No

- d) Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site?

Yes No

- e) Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources. _____

- f) Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc. _____

- g) Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to

resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required. _____

14. Transportation [\[help\]](#)

a) Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any. _____

b) Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit?

Yes No

i) If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop? _____

c) Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle, or state transportation facilities, not including driveways?

Yes No

i) If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private). _____

d) Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation?

Water,

Rail

Air Transportation

i) If so, generally describe. _____

e) How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates? _____

f) Will the proposal interfere with, affect or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe. _____

g) Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any: _____

15. Public Services [\[help\]](#)

a) Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)?

Yes No

i) If so, generally describe. _____

b) Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any. _____

16. Utilities [\[help\]](#)

a) Check utilities currently available at the site:

Electricity	Natural gas	Water
Refuse service	Telephone	Sanitary sewer
Septic system	Other;	

b) Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed. _____

C. Signature [\[help\]](#)

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature: _____

Name of signee: _____

Position and Agency/Organization: _____

Date Submitted: _____

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Staff Signature

Date

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