

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

Final Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

Port of Seattle Bankline Repair and Enhancement Multi-site Program

February 15, 2019

Lead agency: Port of Seattle

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Description of proposal: The proposed project is the Port of Seattle (Port) Bankline Repair and Enhancement Program (Program). The Port seeks programmatic federal and state authorization for the individual projects proposed under this Program to improve environmental outcomes, reduce redundancy, and save resources and time for both the Port and regulatory agencies. This program will establish a systematic process for enhancement of shoreline environmental functions while maintaining the structural integrity and stability of Port-controlled banklines.

Location of proposal: The proposed programmatic activity will apply at the 29 Port-controlled shoreline facilities in the Seattle area. It will apply to properties along the Duwamish Waterway, including the East and West Waterways (EWW and WWW, respectively) in the Green/Duwamish Watershed (Water Resource Inventory Area [WRIA] 9); Puget Sound, including Elliot Bay in the Green/Duwamish Watershed (WRIA 9) and Shilshole Bay in the Cedar/Sammamish Watershed (WRIA 8); and the Lake Washington Ship Canal in the (WRIA 8).

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Determination: The Port has determined that the proposed Bankline Repair and Enhancement Multi-site Program will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. As such, an environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under the provisions of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (RCW 43.21, WAC 197-11) and Port of Seattle SEPA Policies and Procedures (Port Commission Resolution 3650). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist, Biological Assessment, and other information which is available upon request.

This determination is based on the following findings and conclusions:

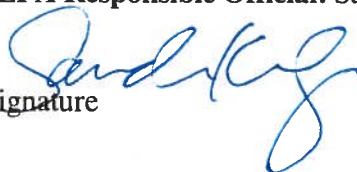
- This Program involves routine repair and maintenance projects and habitat restoration.
- The Program is intended to streamline projects that will exist with or without this program while improving Port bankline function over time.
- The projects covered under the Program will not adversely impact fish, wildlife, water quality, or cultural resources and will employ conservation measures for in-water work.
- The program requires annual reporting and monitoring to ensure the success of sites authorized under the Program.

Supporting Information: Information used to reach this determination, and applicable State laws and Port of Seattle policies, regulations, and procedures are available for public review at the Port of Seattle office, Maritime Environment and Sustainability, Pier 69, 2711 Alaskan Way, Seattle. The document is also available for review online at <https://www.portseattle.org/environment/sepa-nepa>.

Public and Agency Comment: The DNS and Environmental Checklist for this project circulated on January 25, 2019, and the comment period ended on February 8, 2019. No comments, written, online, or via voice communication were received by the Port during the comment period. The Port has concluded that no significant negative environmental effects will result due to the proposed Bankline Repair and enhancement Multi-site Program. The Port's Final DNS is being issued, as of February 15, 2019, based on the final determination of no significant environmental impacts.

Appeals: The Port's decision on the proposal described above and the Port's issuance of a Final DNS on this proposal constitute the Port's Final SEPA decision. This SEPA DNS determination may be appealed by filing a writ of review in King County Superior Court within twenty-one (21) days of the date below pursuant to Port of Seattle Resolution No. 3650 and RCW 43.21C.080.

SEPA Responsible Official: Sandra Kilroy, Director Maritime Environment and Sustainability

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