SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS) OF PROPOSED ACTION

Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (Sea-Tac Airport)
Air Cargo Road Safety Improvements

The Port of Seattle has completed an environmental analysis, including review of pertinent and available environmental information and preparation of a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Checklist for the Air Cargo Road Safety Improvements project.

Description of Proposed Project Action: The Port is proposing the Air Cargo Road Safety Improvements project to improve pedestrian and automobile traffic safety through allowing safe access to the Sea-Tac Airport Cell Phone Lot, adjacent land uses, and public transit stops. The project is anticipated to reduce congestion from the airport terminal arrivals and departures traffic by addressing circulation inefficiencies.

The project is intended to accommodate existing demand at the Cell Phone Lot, which includes addressing safety and congestion issues on Air Cargo Road and South 170th Street as traffic patterns on these roadways are affected by use of the Cell Phone Lot. Air Cargo Road and South 170th Street currently have several identified safety concerns, including unprotected left-turn movements, limited or no pedestrian or bicycle access, and distressed or failing pavement conditions. The surface pavement along South 170th Street near the Cell Phone Lot access and on Air Cargo Road is beyond its design life and showing considerable distress.

Location of Proposed Action: Seattle-Tacoma International Airport
17801 Pacific Highway South
Seattle, WA 98158

The project site is located on the east side of Sea-Tac Airport near the Cell Phone Lot

Lead Agency: Port of Seattle (SEPA File Number 20-01)

Determination: The Port of Seattle has completed an environmental evaluation including review of the proposed Air Cargo Road Safety Improvements project, including review of pertinent and available environmental information, following the provisions of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) under Chapter 43.21C, Revised Code of Washington (RCW), Chapter 197-11, Washington Administrative Code (WAC), and Port Commission Resolution 3650, Port of Seattle SEPA Policies and Procedures.

On February 27, 2020 as lead agency, the Port of Seattle determined the proposed project would not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). 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 within 21 days from the date of last newspaper publication of the notice or be barred. Port Commission Resolution 3650 contains the procedures for appealing a SEPA decision of the Port of Seattle.

**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, Pier 69, Environment and Sustainability Department, Third Floor, 2711 Alaskan Way, Seattle or Sea-Tac Airport, Environment and Sustainability Department, Fifth Floor, 17801 Pacific Highway South, Seattle, WA 98158. The document is also available for review online at [https://www.portseattle.org/environment/sepa-nepa](https://www.portseattle.org/environment/sepa-nepa).

**Public and Agency Comment:** No action will be taken on the proposed project until after the 14-day public comment period expires on 4:00 PM on March 16, 2020, after which the Port will (1) formally adopt this Determination of Non-Significance; (2) clarify or review the proposal; or (3) complete additional environmental analyses, as appropriate. The Port will accept public and agency comments until 4:00 PM on March 16, 2020. Please refer any questions relating to this determination or to the proposed actions to Steve Rybolt, Port of Seattle, Aviation Environment and Sustainability Department, P.O. Box 68727, Seattle, Washington 98168. Telephone 206.787.5527. Email Rybolt.S@portseattle.org or the Port of Seattle electronic mail Internet address at SEPA@portseattle.org. Include your mailing address when submitting comments to the electronic Internet address.

**Appeals:** 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 the Port formally adopts this determination pursuant to Port of Seattle Resolution No. 3650 and RCW 43.21C.080.

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February 27, 2020
SITE MAP

LEGEND

1. AIR CARGO RD / S 170TH ST:
   Dual WB right turn lanes with receiving lanes. Extend
delineation between NB right turn and thru lanes further
south. Left lane drop on NB thru lanes. Reduce SB to
single lane.

2. S 170TH ST / SB OFF-RAMP (CELL PHONE LOT):
   Redirect Cell Phone Lot traffic to existing bridge structure
   Channelize SB right turns away from signal. Optimize traffic
   flow within the Cell Phone Lot.

3. S 170TH ST / NB OFF-RAMP:
   Install a two-phase traffic signal, add lane for NB left turn,
   and leave WB movement free while reducing to single WB
   lane. Coordinate with International Blvd/S 170th Street
   Signal and Cell Phone Lot Signal.

4. Construct sidewalks and crosswalks along S 170th St and
   the west side of Air Cargo Road. Construct bus stop
   landings for the Port and King County Metro bus stops and
   a mid-block crossing on Air Cargo Road.

5. AIR CARGO RD / SB ON-RAMP:
   Install a two-phase traffic signal. Signalize only the SB left
   and NB thru movements with a protected SB left turn.

6. S 170TH ST / INTERNATIONAL BLVD:
   Designate center EB lane for thru movement only.