

RESOLUTION NO. 2404

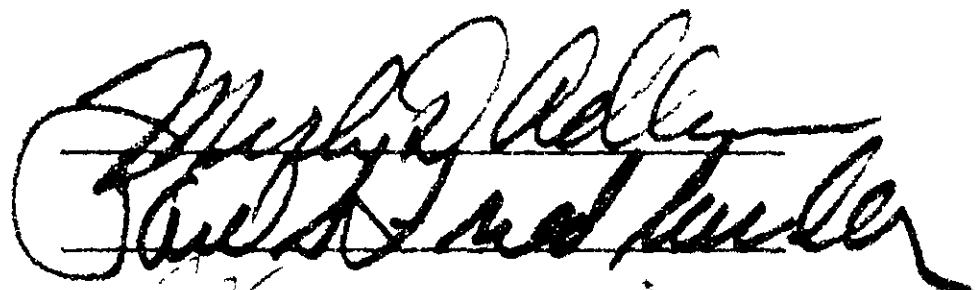
A RESOLUTION of the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle providing for a policy regarding the necessity for an environmental impact statements.

WHEREAS recommendations, reports or other major actions significantly affecting the quality of the environment require a detailed environmental impact statement as per Section 3(c) of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act of 1971, and

WHEREAS many of the Port's major construction undertakings affect the "quality of the environment" as defined by the Act,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle that Planning and Research Policy Bulletin No. 1, Necessity for Environmental Impact Statements, becomes a policy of the Port of Seattle.

ADOPTED by the Port Commission of the Port of Seattle this 14th day of December, 1971, and duly authenticated in open session by the signatures of the Commissioners voting in its favor and the seal of the Commission.


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PORT OF SEATTLE

PLANNING AND RESEARCH POLICY BULLETIN

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SUBJECT: Necessity for Environmental Impact Statement

I. Purpose

The purpose of this bulletin is to explain the ramifications of the Environmental Policy Act of 1971 as they relate to proposed Port projects.

II Statement of the Policy

It is the policy of the Port of Seattle to abide by both the intent and letter of the Environmental Policy Act of 1971. This includes, but is not limited to, the preparation of an environmental impact statement

III. Details

1. Section 3 (c) of the Washington State Environmental Policy Act of 1971 requires to be included in every recommendation or report on proposals for legislation and other major actions significantly affecting the quality of the environment, a detailed statement by the responsible official on
 - (a) The environmental impact of the proposed action;
 - (b) Any adverse environmental effects which cannot be avoided should proposal be implemented;
 - (c) Alternatives to the proposed action,
 - (d) The relationship between local short-term uses of man's environment and the maintenance and enhancement of long-term productivity; and
 - (e) Any irreversible and irremediable commitments of resources which would be involved in the proposed action should it be implemented.

2. Prior to any detailed statement, the responsible official shall consult with and obtain the comments of any public agency which has jurisdiction by law or special expertise with respect to any environmental impact involved. Copies of the statement and the comments shall be made available to the Governor, the Department of Ecology, the Ecological Commission and the public, and shall accompany the proposal through the existing agency review processes.
3. In-house review of the detailed statement by personnel outside the applying department will take place prior to submission of the proposed project to the Capital Improvements Committee. The finalized statement with reviewers' comments will accompany all project proposals when being considered by the CIC.
4. The Environmental Affairs Specialist will be the departmental liaison for the Planning and Research Department.

IV. Benefits


The benefits to be obtained from this policy are

1. To enable the Port of Seattle Commission to state publicly that it recognizes a responsibility not only to the laws of Washington State, but also to demonstrate leadership in the realm of environmental improvement with the Port district.
2. To give the Commission and the Port management an opportunity to make this policy known and observed among its own personnel.

V. Distribution

As per G-1.

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Reference Washington State Senate Bill No. 545
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