



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

## Seattle-Tacoma International Airport (SEA) Water System Plan (Limited Update)

The Port of Seattle (Port) has completed an environmental analysis, including review of the pertinent and available environmental information and preparation of a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Checklist for approval and adoption of the SEA Water System Plan (Limited Update). Note a separate project-specific environmental review of each recommended capital improvement within the Plan that is selected for design and construction would be conducted in compliance with applicable regulations and policies.

**Description of Proposed Action:** Water System Plans provide the foundation for a safe, reliable, and sustainable public water system. The Port owns and operates the water system at SEA, which provides drinking water and fire protection water to the airport and associated facilities within the planning area. The water system at SEA is comprised of water mains, junctions, pipes, storage reservoirs, fire hydrants, and pumps. The purpose of the Plan update is to bring up-to-date SEA planning resources that guide the routine maintenance and orderly development/upgrade of SEA's water system. The Plan update includes water demand forecasting; an assessment of water resources, conservation, and reuse practices; relevant minimum design criteria; a system review and analysis (hydraulic modeling); a review of the water system operations and maintenance program; and recommendations for capital improvement projects to provide greater reliability, redundancy, and flow capacity. If the Plan is approved by the Washington State Department of Health and adopted by the Port, the recommended capital project would be incorporated into the Port's Capital Improvement Program to progress design and construction. A separate project-specific environmental review of capital improvements selected for design and construction would be conducted in compliance with applicable regulations and policies.

**Location of Proposed Action:** Seattle-Tacoma International Airport,

17801 Pacific Highway South SeaTac, WA 98158

Lead Agency: Port of Seattle (SEPA File Number 2025-01)

**Determination:** The Port of Seattle completed an environmental evaluation including review of pertinent 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 of Seattle Commission Resolution No. 3650, and Port of Seattle SEPA Policies and Procedures. The Port of Seattle's SEPA determination concludes that environmental impacts of the proposal are not significant.

**Supporting Information:** Information used to reach this determination and applicable State laws and Port of Seattle polices, regulations, and procedures are available for public review at the Port

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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 <a href="https://www.portseattle.org/environment/sepa-nepa">https://www.portseattle.org/environment/sepa-nepa</a>. Please contact Steve Rybolt to confirm access to these documents. See contact information below.

**Public and Agency Comment:** The DNS and Environmental Checklist for this project was published on January 31, 2025. The Port's Final DNS is now being issued based on the final determination of no significant environmental impacts. 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 <a href="SEPA@portseattle.org">SEPA@portseattle.org</a>. Include your mailing address when submitting comments to the electronic Internet address.

**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 of issuance pursuant to Port of Seattle Resolution No. 3650. Any appeal of the SEPA DNS must also satisfy the requirements of RCW 43.21C.075.

## **SIGNATURE ON FILE**

Sarah Cox, Director, Aviation Environment and Sustainability and SEPA Responsible Official Port of Seattle, Seattle – Tacoma International Airport February 18, 2025