

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

5/29/08

If you need assistance in completing the checklist or have any questions regarding the environmental review process, please visit or call Development Services (425-452-6800) between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday (Wednesday, 10 to 4). Assistance for the hearing impaired: Dial 711 (Telecommunications Relay Service).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Property Owner: Does not apply.

Proponent: City of Bellevue, Department of Planning and Community Development

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(If different from the owner. All questions and correspondence will be directed to the individual listed.)

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Proposal Title: Light Rail Best Practices 2008 Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Proposal Location: Citywide.
(Street address and nearest cross street or intersection) Provide a legal description if available.

Please attach an 8 1/2" x 11" vicinity map that accurately locates the proposal site.

Give an accurate, brief description of the proposal's scope and nature:

1. General description:

The Light Rail Best Practices Committee Report proposes amendments to the Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan to include new policies related to the best practices for implementing light rail in Bellevue. There are also proposed amendments to existing text to update references and figures for previous regional transit plans, and where appropriate, to reference the long term plan adopted by Sound Transit in 2005.

The proposed policies address a range of potential issues related to implementation of light rail in Bellevue including: public involvement in the design, construction and operation of the system; the use of design techniques and quality materials to better integrate stations and other facilities into the existing community; providing safe and convenient access to the system for riders; considerations for the alignment and design of the system; and addressing community concerns about potential impacts related to construction and operation.

2. Acreage of site: Does not apply.

3. Number of dwelling units/buildings to be demolished: Does not apply.

4. Number of dwelling units/buildings to be constructed: Does not apply.

5. Square footage of buildings to be demolished: Does not apply.

6. Square footage of buildings to be constructed: Does not apply.

7. Quantity of earth movement (in cubic yards): Does not apply.
8. Proposed land use: Does not apply.
9. Design features, including building height, number of stories and proposed exterior materials: Does not apply.
10. Other: Does not apply.

Estimated date of completion of the proposal or timing of phasing:

The City Council is scheduled to consider the proposed amendments for adoption at the regular Council meeting on August 4, 2008.

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

Other Comprehensive Plan Amendments may be necessary once Sound Transit has selected the preferred alignment for the East Link light rail project; selection is currently expected in 2009. In addition, amendments to the City's land use code will be required to implement some of the proposed policies. The land use code amendments will need to be developed and adopted over the next few years, preceding final design and permit applications for the East Link project.

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

This is a non-project action consisting of proposed policy amendments related to implementation of a light rail system in Bellevue and revised references to updated regional transit plans. There is no other environmental analysis being done for these proposed amendments.

Sound Transit is in the process of preparing a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) that will analyze multiple alternative alignments for the East Link Light Rail Project. The analysis of the alternative alignments is outside of the scope of the Light Rail Best Practices Project; however, the proposed amendments are intended to help inform decisions about alignment, design, construction, operation and mitigation that would optimize benefits and minimize impacts of a light rail system. By the same token, information in the East Link DEIS will also inform future policy amendments to the Comprehensive Plan.

Bel-Red Corridor Project, Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), January 2007
 Bel-Red Corridor Project, Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), July 2007

Downtown Implementation Plan Update and Downtown Subarea Plan Review, Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS), October 2002
 Downtown Implementation Plan Update and Downtown Subarea Plan Review, Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), April 2003

Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain. List dates applied for and file numbers, if known.

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List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known. If permits have been applied for, list application date and file numbers, if known.

Comprehensive Plan Amendment, 07-123050-AC, June 19, 2007

Please provide one or more of the following exhibits, if applicable to your proposal.

(Please check appropriate box(es) for exhibits submitted with your proposal): Does not apply.

- Land Use Reclassification (rezone) Map of existing and proposed zoning
- Preliminary Plat or Planned Unit Development
Preliminary plat map
- Clearing & Grading Permit
Plan of existing and proposed grading
Development plans
- Building Permit (or Design Review)
Site plan
Clearing & grading plan
- Shoreline Management Permit
Site plan

A. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

1. Earth

- a. General description of the site: Flat Rolling Hilly Steep slopes Mountains Other
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- b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?
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- c. What general types of soil are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, and muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any prime farmland.
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- d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.
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- e. Describe the purpose, type, and approximate quantities of any filling or grading proposed. Indicate source

of fill.

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- f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.

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

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- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:

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2. AIR

- a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal (i.e. dust, automobile odors, and industrial wood smoke) during construction and when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.

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- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.

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- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to the air, if any:

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3. WATER

- a. Surface

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

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(2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If Yes, please describe and attach available plans.

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(3) 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.

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(4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

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(5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.

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

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b. Ground

(1) Will ground water be withdrawn, or will water be discharged to ground water? Give general description.

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(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.) 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.

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c. Water Runoff (Including storm water)

(1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.

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(2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

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d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water impacts, if any:

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4. Plants

a. Check or circle types of vegetation found on the site:

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- deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other
- evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other
- shrubs
- grass
- pasture
- crop or grain
- wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bulrush, 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?

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- c. List threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site.

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

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5. ANIMALS

- a. Check or circle any birds and animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site:

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Birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:

Mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:

Fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other:

- b. List any threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site.

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- c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.

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- d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any:

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6. Energy and Natural Resources

- a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy need? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.
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- b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.
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- c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of the proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any:
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7. Environmental Health

- 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? If so, describe.
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- (1) Describe special emergency services that might be required.
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- (2) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any.
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- b. Noise
- (1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example, traffic, equipment, operation, other)?
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- (2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or long-term basis (for example, traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site.

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- (3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

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8. Land and Shoreline Use

- a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties?

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- b. Has the site been used for agriculture? If so, describe.

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- c. Describe any structures on the site.

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- d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?

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- e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

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- f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?

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- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?
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- h. Has any part of the site been classified as an "environmentally sensitive" area? If so, specify.
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- i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?
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- j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?
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- k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:
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- i. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:
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9. Housing

- a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.
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- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.
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- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:
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10. Aesthetics

- a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?
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- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?
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- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:
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11. Light and Glare

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?
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- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?
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- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?
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- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light or glare impacts, if any:
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and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

12. Recreation

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?
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- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.
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- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:
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13. Historic and Cultural Preservation

- a. Are there any places or objects listed on, or proposed for, national, state, or local preservation registers known to be on or next to the site? If so, generally describe.
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- b. Generally describe any landmarks or evidence of historic, archeological, scientific, or cultural importance known to be on or next to the site.
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- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts, if any:
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14. Transportation

- a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site, and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.
The proposed light rail best practices policies do not address specific streets or alignments. Rather, they are intended to guide development and operation of any light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Proposed policies include language to address shared right-of-way or potential conflicts of light rail vehicles with other vehicle and pedestrian traffic. Sound Transit is

responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

b. Is site currently served by public transit? If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?
Does not apply. The proposed light rail best practices policies are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

c. How many parking spaces would be completed project have? How many would the project eliminate?
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d. Will the proposal require any new roads or streets, or improvements to existing roads or streets, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).
The proposed light rail best practices policies will not require any new roads, streets, or improvements to existing roads or streets in and of themselves. However, they are intended to guide the development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue.

The proposal includes policies intended to involve property owners affected by the design or construction of a light rail project to be involved in the decisions, including those related to alignment and property access. There are also proposed policies that address pedestrian and bicycle safety, and the operation of streets that include shared right-of-way or potential conflicts of light rail vehicles with other vehicle and pedestrian traffic.

Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

e. Will the project use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.
The proposed light rail best practices policies do not use any form of transportation in and of themselves. However, they are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Proposed policy language addresses issues related to the location, design, construction and operation of a light rail system, including providing good access to the system to encourage ridership. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur.
Does not apply. The proposed light rail best practices policies are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

g. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:
The proposed light rail best practices policies are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. The proposed policies include language to address shared right-of-way or potential conflicts of light rail vehicles with other vehicle and pedestrian traffic, mitigation of construction and alignment impacts on street function and

individual properties. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

15. Public Services

- a. Would the project result in an increased need for the public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.

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

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16. Utilities

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other.

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- 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.

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Signature

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 

Date Submitted 5-29-2008

SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTION
Continuation of the Environmental Checklist

5/28/08

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment (see Environmental Checklist, B. Environmental Elements). When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms. If you have any questions, please contact the Development Services reviewer in the Permit Center (425-452-6800) between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday (Wednesday, 10 to 4). Assistance for the hearing impaired: Dial 711 (Telecommunications Relay Service).

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?

This proposal will have no direct impact that increases discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise. The proposal consists of policy amendments to the City of Bellevue Comprehensive Plan related to implementation of a light rail system in Bellevue and revised references to updated regional transit plans.

The proposed policies are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are: The proposed action includes policy amendments that are intended to minimize impacts related to the development and operation of a light rail system if and when such a system is located in Bellevue.

2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?

This proposal will have no direct impact on plants, animals, fish or marine life. The proposal consists of policy amendments to the City of Bellevue Comprehensive Plan related to implementation of a light rail system in Bellevue and revised references to updated regional transit plans.

The proposed policies are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are: The proposed action includes policy amendments that are intended to minimize impacts related to the development and operation of a light rail system if and when such a system is located in Bellevue.

3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?

This proposal will not deplete energy or natural resources. The proposal consists of policy amendments to the City of Bellevue Comprehensive Plan related to implementation of a light rail system in Bellevue and revised references to updated regional transit plans.

The proposed policies are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy or natural resources are: The proposed action includes policy amendments that are intended to minimize impacts related to the development and operation of a light rail system if and when such a system is located in Bellevue. Proposed policies are intended to conserve energy by encouraging and facilitating the use of a light rail system rather than single occupant vehicles.

4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection--such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?

This proposal will have no direct impact on environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for government protection. The proposal consists of policy amendments to the City of Bellevue Comprehensive Plan related to implementation of a light rail system in Bellevue and revised references to updated regional transit plans.

The proposed policies are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are: The proposed action includes policy amendments that are intended to minimize impacts related to the development and operation of a light rail system if and when such a system is located in Bellevue.

5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?

This proposal will have no direct effect on land and shoreline use. The proposal consists of policy amendments to the City of Bellevue Comprehensive Plan related to implementation of a light rail system in Bellevue and revised references to updated regional transit plans.

The proposed policies are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are: The proposed action includes policy amendments that are intended to minimize impacts related to the development and operation of a light rail system if and when such a system is located in Bellevue.

6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?

This proposal will have no direct effect on demands on transportation or public services or utilities.

The proposal consists of policy amendments to the City of Bellevue Comprehensive Plan related to

implementation of a light rail system in Bellevue and revised references to updated regional transit plans.

The proposed policies are intended to guide development and operation of a light rail system if and when one is developed in Bellevue. Sound Transit is responsible for the environmental analysis, design, development and operation of a light rail system and they are currently preparing a DEIS that analyzes project specific environmental impacts of several alternative alignments for a proposed system in Bellevue

Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are: The proposed action includes policy amendments that are intended to minimize impacts related to the development and operation of a light rail system if and when such a system is located in Bellevue.

7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

The proposal does not conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.