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File No. 09-110610-XE

Project Name/Address: Forest Drive SE Portal Entry Improvements / 5200 Coal Creek Pkwy SE and 6521 Lakemont Blvd SE

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Minimum Comment Period: May 21, 2009

Materials included in this Notice:

- Blue Bulletin
- Checklist
- Vicinity Map
- Plans
- Other:

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

4/9/09

If you need assistance in completing the checklist or have any questions regarding the environmental review process, please visit or call the Permit Center (425-452-6864) between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday (Wednesday, 10 to 4). Our TTY number is 425-452-4636.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Property Owner: City of Bellevue

Proponent: Parks & Community Services Department

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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: Forest Drive SE Portal Entry Improvements

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

COAL CREEK PKWY. SITE AT SE CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF FOREST DR. & COAL CREEK PKWY
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LAKEMONT BLVD. SITE AT NW CORNER OF THE INTERSECTION OF FOREST DR. & LAKEMONT BLVD.
SUMMITRIDGE DIV NO 02 PARK

PLEASE ATTACH AN 8 'W' X 11' VICINITY MAP THAT ACCURATELY LOCATES THE PROPOSAL SITE.

See Exhibit 1 – Vicinity Map

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

1. General description:

This project proposes to install two entry portals located at either end of Forest Drive SE. Because these entry portals are to state the street name only, they are considered street signs that are "new essential public facilities." The specific intent of the proposed project is to clearly identify Forest Drive SE and orient the pedestrian by providing a coordinated system of street name signs. One will be located at the SE corner of the intersection of Forest Drive SE and Coal Creek Pkwy on a property owned by Puget Sound Energy (PSE) and the other at the NW corner of the intersection of Forest Drive SE and Lakemont Blvd on an open space property owned by the City of Bellevue. The Coal Creek Pkwy street sign will be located within the toe-of-slope critical area structure setback of a geologic hazard critical area steep slope. The Lakemont Blvd. street sign will be located within the critical area structure setback of two Type N streams that converge and drain into Coal Creek. As part of this project, the applicant proposes significant site restoration within the critical area buffers to reduce the impact of development within the setback and be maintained in a healthy condition for the anticipated life of the development. Proposed restoration will include removal of invasive Himalayan Blackberry and debris, retention of native species and replanting with densely spaced native plants designed to have more of an aesthetic appeal. These plantings will retain the native species goal and will also improve

slope stability, water quality, hydrologic and habitat functions near the steep slope and stream areas. The street signs will be installed on a compacted base of crushed rock, constructed of a concrete footing and core reinforced with rebar throughout. A stone veneer of random varying thicknesses will be applied to surface of the concrete core and all joints will sloped to prevent puddles on the street signs. Each street sign will be topped with a concrete cap that will have the text "Forest Drive" cast into it on one side. This project represents significant improvement, as both proposed street sign locations are undeveloped, relatively degraded and in need of restoration efforts.

2. Acreage of site:

The Forest Drive SE Portal Entry Improvements project is located at either end of Forest Drive. The Coal Creek Pkwy. site is 2.34 acres. The Lakemont Blvd. site is 1.77 acres.

3. Number of dwelling units/buildings to be demolished:

No dwelling units/buildings to be demolished.

4. Number of dwelling units/buildings to be constructed:

No buildings will be constructed; two street signs will be constructed.

5. Square footage of buildings to be demolished:

No buildings will be demolished.

6. Square footage of buildings to be constructed:

Street signs to be constructed are 39 SF each or 78 SF total.

7. Quantity of earth movement (in cubic yards):

Total excavation is 23.5 CY. Lakemont Blvd. site excavation is 13 CY and Coal Creek Pkwy. site excavation is 10.5 CY.

Total fill is 82 CY. Lakemont Blvd. site fill is 32 CY and Coal Creek Pkwy. site fill is 50 CY.

8. Proposed land use:

The Coal Creek Pkwy. site is owned by Puget Sound Energy (PSE) and is currently used as an operating utility that will remain. The proposed street sign will be placed within the toe-of-slope critical area structure setback of a critical area steep slope. The size of the street sign qualifies it as a "structure" and therefore a Critical Areas Land Use Permit is required with a Critical Areas report to modify structure setback from the toe-of-slope (LUC 20.25H.055.C.2, LUC 20.25H.125 and LUC 20.25H.120.C.3).

The Lakemont Blvd. site is owned by the City of Bellevue Parks & Community Services Department and is currently used as an undeveloped Forest Ridge Open Space that will remain. The proposed street sign will be placed in proximity of two Type N streams that are granted 50-foot critical area buffers and additional 15-foot critical area structure setbacks. The proposed street sign will be placed in the critical areas structure setback of these two streams that converge and drain into Coal Creek. The size of the street sign qualifies it as a "structure" and therefore a Critical Areas Land Use Permit is required with a Critical Areas report to modify the structure setback from the streams (LUC 20.25H.055.C.2, LUC 20.25h.075.D.3, LUC 20.25H.080.A and LUC 20.25H.080.B).

9. Design features, including building height, number of stories and proposed exterior materials:

This project proposes to construct two street signs, one at the Coal Creek Pkwy site and the other at the Lakemont Blvd. site. In addition, there will be significant site restoration including removal of invasive Himalayan Blackberry and debris, retention of native species and replanting of native species at each proposed site. Each of the street signs will be installed on a 16" minimum base of compacted crushed rock. Street signs will be constructed on a 39 SF concrete footing that is reinforced with rebar and 9" thick. Each will have a concrete core that will also be reinforced with rebar throughout. A stone veneer of random varying thicknesses will be applied to surface of the concrete cores. The stone veneer and all joints will be sloped to prevent puddles on the street signs. Each street sign will be topped with a concrete cap that will have the text "Forest Drive" cast into it on one side. The height of each street sign will be 8 feet.

10. Other

No other items.

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

Construction of Forest Drive SE street signs is scheduled to begin in summer of 2009, and be completed by the end of summer of 2009.

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

No further additions, expansion or further activity is proposed to the street signs along Forest Drive SE.

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

- Pre-application Conference Meeting Notes dated 3/4/09
- Habitat Assessment dated 4/8/09
- Drawings for Forest Drive SE Portal Entry Improvements

See Exhibit 2 – Forest Drive Portals Habitat Assessment

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.

- Pending Limited Use Permit between PSE and City of Bellevue for Coal Creek Pkwy. site. (file# 21-24-05-0111)

See Exhibit 3 – Permit for Limited Use of Operating Property

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.

- Critical Areas Land Use Permit (LO), (file# TBD)
- Clearing and Grading in Critical Areas Permit (GH), (file# TBD)
- Right-of-Way Street Use Permit (TK), (file# TBD)

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):

- 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

The Coal Creek Pkwy site is an operating utility property owned by PSE. The City of Bellevue is currently in process of getting a Limited Use Permit for this street sign and native planting restoration to be located and maintained on their property. The location of the proposed sign is currently undeveloped. The Coal Creek Pkwy site is at the SE corner of the intersection of Forest Drive SE and Coal Creek Pkwy. The proposed street sign is going to be located approximately 36' back from the sidewalk of this intersection.

The Lakemont Blvd. site is Forest Ridge Open Space owned by the City of Bellevue Parks & Community Services Department. The location of the proposed sign is currently undeveloped. The Lakemont Blvd. site is at the NW corner of the intersection of Forest Drive SE and Lakemont Blvd. The proposed street sign is going to be located approximately 18' back from Lakemont Blvd. and 24' back from Forest Drive SE intersection.

b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?

Based on site surveys, the Coal Creek Pkwy site has the steepest slopes of up to 16% with the proposed street sign to be placed within the critical area of steep slope.

Based on site surveys, the Lakemont Blvd. site has the steepest slopes of up to 11% near the Lakemont Blvd. side of the proposed sign location. This proposed location is approximately 60' from the centerline of the Type N stream that drains near the southern boundary. The sloped area is a large rock formation that will be removed to accommodate a level pad for the street sign.

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.

Soil Types at the Coal Creek Site: The predominant soil types in the Coal Creek Basin are Alderwood (Ag) and Beausite (Be) gravelly sandy loams, which cover nearly 75 percent of the basin. Alderwood soils are moderately well-drained gravelly sandy loams that overlay impermeable consolidated glacial till. Beausite soils are well-drained gravelly sandy loams that overlay sandstone. Alderwood and Beausite soils are found on rolling to very steep upland terrain (Snyder, et al., 1973). Figure 2 shows that Alderwood and Beausite soils are found throughout the upland areas of the basin outside the Lake Heights and Newport Hills area.

Soil Types at the Lakemont Blvd. Site: Alderwood and Kitsap soils (Ak) are found in the creek valley and make up about 10 percent of the soil cover in the basin. The Alderwood and Kitsap soils are found on very steep slopes, where stormwater runoff is rapid. (Snyder, et al. 1973).

See Exhibit 4 – Soils Map

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

According to Exhibit 4 – Soils Map, there are potential erosion soils mapped on the project sites. The bulk of the in-situ soils within the proposed construction areas, excluding fill materials, are generally firm and competent in-place.

e. Describe the purpose, type, and approximate quantities of any filling or grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.

At both Coal Creek Pkwy and Lakemont Blvd. sites there will be minimal grading necessary to resolve level areas to receive street signage and associated removal of invasive plant species. For both sites, the approximate amount of total excavation is 23.5 CY and a total fill quantity of 82 CY. All proposed work requiring large machinery shall be executed from the ROW on arterial roadways; otherwise handheld equipment will be utilized on proposed sites. Imported material shall be from a local commercial source for topsoil and mulch, utilizing recycled materials for drainage and concrete.

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

Erosion as a result of grading or other construction activities is expected to be minimal but could occur if exposed soils are mobilized by rainfall. Short-term erosion may occur during the street sign construction, at either of the two sites where areas have been cleared of invasive vegetation. However, any impacts would be short-term and the measures described below in (1h.) would help minimize erosion.

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

The Coal Creek Pkwy site consists of 2.34 acres (101,930 SF), current impervious surfaces within this PSE site consists of an asphalt driveway and asphalt parking lot totaling 38,332 SF or 38% of the site. This project will impact 1,550 SF of the existing pervious surface, adding only 39 SF of impervious surface. None of the surfaces is pollution generating.

The Lakemont Blvd. site consists of 1.77 acres (77,101 SF), there are no current impervious surfaces within the site. This project will impact 920 SF of the existing pervious surface, adding only 39 SF of impervious surface. None of the surfaces is pollution generating.

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

Prior to construction, a temporary erosion and sediment control (TESC) plan will be created as part of the Best Management Practices (BMP) Drainage Plan for the project would be submitted to the City of Bellevue for approval prior to any construction activities. Type of BMPs that may be used for erosion control include the use of geotextile barriers (silt barriers), straw barriers, controlled surface grading, and storm drain inlet protection. Disturbed areas will be re-vegetated as soon as possible following construction.

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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.

During construction, any air quality impacts from construction-related vehicle trips would be temporary. There may be a small increase in exhaust emissions from construction vehicles and equipment and a temporary increase in dust due to earthwork. Overall, the impact from construction equipment will be minimal and short-term. After project completion, no further impacts to air will occur.

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

Off-site sources of odor will not affect the proposed project. Odor sources in the area include vehicular emissions from the neighboring roadways Coal Creek Pkwy, Forest Drive SE and Lakemont Blvd.

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

Contractors are expected to use known, available, and reasonable measures to control construction-related emissions to meet the Puget Sound Air Pollution Control Agency's requirements to reduce surface and air movement of dust during grading and construction activities. Dust control measures, such as watering construction areas, will be used to minimize construction related fugitive dust as necessary.

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.

The Coal Creek Pkwy site has no surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site.

The Lakemont Blvd. site has two Type N streams that converge and drain near the southern boundary of the project site into Coal Creek.

(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.

The Coal Creek Pkwy site has no surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site and will not require any work over, in, or adjacent to such waters.

The Lakemont Blvd. site will require work within the 50-foot stream buffer of the Type N streams and additionally within the added 15-foot critical area structure setback. All proposed improvements that include invasive species removal and retention and replanting of native species will occur approximately 35-75 feet from the centerline of the Type N streams. Proposed street sign installation will occur approximately 60' from the centerline of the Type N stream exiting at the southern boundary.

(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.

The Coal Creek Pkwy site has no surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site and will therefore will not require any fill or dredge material placed or removed.

The Lakemont Blvd. site will have an area of 920 SF restored that is approximately 35-75 feet away from the centerline of the Type N stream. Excavation for street sign footing and removal of invasive species will total approximately 10.5 CY. Fill material required to construct street sign and restore surrounding landscape area will total 32 CY. Imported material shall be from a local commercial source for topsoil and mulch, utilizing recycled materials for drainage and concrete.

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

The proposed project will not require surface water withdrawals or diversions.

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

The Coal Creek Pkwy site does not lie within a 100-year flood plain. The Lakemont Blvd. site does lie within the floodplain of the Type N stream.

- (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.

SIGN INSTALLATION OCCURS OUTSIDE OF 50 FOOT STREAM BUFFER.

The proposed project does not involve the discharge of waste materials to surface waters.

b. Ground

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

The proposed project will not require withdrawal of ground water or discharge to ground water.

- (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.

There will be no waste material from septic tanks or other sources discharged into the ground as part of this proposed project.

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.

Minimal impervious surface, approximately 39 SF per street sign, will be created by this proposed project so no impacts to runoff are expected at either the Coal Creek Pkwy site or the Lakemont Blvd. site except at natural, pre-project rates.

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

There are no waste materials anticipated to enter the ground or surface waters on the project sites.

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

Development of a Temporary Erosion and Sediment Control (TESC) Plan to be implemented during and immediately following construction would alleviate the risk of sediments entering surface waters. The erosion control measures described under question (1.h) would help control impacts to surface and runoff water.

4. Plants

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

- deciduous tree: alder, maple, indian plum, black cottonwood
- evergreen tree: fir, cedar
- shrubs: Himalayan/cutleaf/trailing blackberry, huckleberry, thimbleberry, elderberry, salmonberry, english holly, oregon grape, stinging nettle, sword/lady/bracken fern
- grass

- pasture
- crop or grain
- wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, horsetail, skunk cabbage, fringe cup, herb robert,
- water plants:
- other types of vegetation:

b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?

Invasive species will be removed, 1,550 Sq. Ft. at the Coal Creek Pkwy site and 920 Sq. ft. at the Lakemont Blvd. site. Most of the vegetation that will be affected is Himalayan blackberry with retention of native species. Minor and incidental loss of some native species and groundcovers may occur; however, trees will not be impacted. The removal of the Himalayan Blackberry will be with hand labor and hand-operated equipment.

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

No threatened or endangered plant species or critical habitats are known to be on or near the site.

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

Native species to the Puget Sound lowlands will be used to restore the areas surrounding the new street signs. There will be densely spaced native plants designed to have more of an aesthetic appeal at both the Coal Creek Pkwy site and Lakemont Blvd. site. These plantings will retain the native species goal and will also improve slope stability, water quality, hydrologic and habitat functions near the stream and steep slope areas. This restoration will be maintained in a healthy condition for the anticipated life of the proposed development.

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:

- Birds: anna's hummingbird, american robin, house finch, song sparrow, spotted towhee, bushtit, black-capped chickadee, oregon junco
- Mammals: squirrels, moles. Mammals not observed, but known near sites: opossums, raccoons, deer, rabbits, voles, mice, rats, skunks, coyotes, bats
- Amphibians: pacific chorus frog
- Fish: n/a

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

There are no federally or state threatened endangered species or sensitive species identified within either the Coal Creek Pkwy site or the Lakemont Blvd. site. However, various birds of prey may nest within three miles and salmon spawn in nearby Coal Creek.

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

Both sites are located within the Pacific Flyway, one of the four principal north-south migration routes for birds in North America. The Pacific Flyway encompasses the entire Puget Sound basin.

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

The proposed project will enhance wildlife habitat with the removal of invasive species and the retention and replanting of native species. The proposed landscape restoration will significantly improve habitat quality and complexity in the adjacent areas. There will also be increased care and maintenance of street signs and surrounding vegetation for the anticipated life of the proposed development.

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.

The proposed project will include no energy needs upon completion other than necessary equipment and/or tools for construction activities.

- b. **Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.**

Implementation of the proposed project will not interfere with the use of solar energy resources on any of the adjacent properties.

- 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:**

This proposed project is utilizing recycled, local material for drainage and concrete.

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.**

No exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spills hazardous waste, or other environmental health hazards will result from this proposed project. Herbicide may be applied to re-sprouting blackberry vines using the wipe or wick method by licensed applicators as part of project maintenance. Slow release granular fertilizer will also be used.

- (1) **Describe special emergency services that might be required.**

The project will not result in the need for emergency services.

- (2) **Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any.**

Environmental health hazards are not anticipated as a result of implementation of this proposed project. Compliance with all state, federal and local laws is expected to mitigate all potential significant environmental health hazards associated with the use of herbicides and chemical fertilizers.

b. Noise

- (1) **What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example, traffic, equipment, operation, other)?**

Noise sources in the area include local vehicular traffic and overhead planes. There are no existing sources of noise that would adversely affect the proposed project.

- (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.**

On a short-term basis, the proposed project will generate noise from construction equipment during daylight hours. There will be no long-term increase in noise is anticipated from this proposed project.

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

Construction will occur during normal business daytime hours during the weekday to reduce construction related noise impacts. Noise impacts are not expected to be significant and will be controlled by complying with the allowed construction hours specified in the City code. Vehicle noise will meet all federal, state and local laws.

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PER BCC 9.18 "NOISE CONTROL"*

8. Land and Shoreline Use

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

The Coal Creek Pkwy site is a triangular 2.4-acre PSE owned property with an operating utility on it, a driveway and a large asphalt parking area. Arterial roadways border the property, Coal Creek Pkwy to the west and Forest Drive SE to the north and east. A City of Bellevue Parks and Community Services Department owned property borders to the south.

The Lakemont Blvd. site is a 1.77-acre property that is a City of Bellevue Parks and Community Services Department owned Forest Ridge Open Space. Arterial roadways border the property, Lakemont Blvd. to the east and Forest Drive SE to the south. It is bordered by seven properties to the west, the closest to the proposed

project being a City of Bellevue Utilities Department owned site with six other properties privately owned. The property to the north is largely undeveloped and privately owned.

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

The proposed project sites have not been used for agriculture.

c. Describe any structures on the site.

The Coal Creek Pkwy site is a 2.4-acre property that contains an operating PSE utility, a driveway and a large asphalt parking lot totaling 38,332 SF.

The Lakemont Blvd. site has no structures on it.

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

No structures will be demolished as a result of this proposed project.

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

The Coal Creek Pkwy current zoning classification is Residential (R-1 and R-3.5).

The Lakemont Blvd. current zoning classification is Residential (R-10 and R-3.5).

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

The current comprehensive plan designation of the Coal Creek Pkwy site is the Factoria Subarea, Professional Office/Single Family, and Medium Density. The current comprehensive plan designation of the Lakemont Blvd. site is the Newcastle Subarea, Public Facility/Single Family, and Medium Density.

g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?

Not applicable.

h. Has any part of the site been classified as an "environmentally sensitive" area? If so, specify.

The proposed Coal Creek Pkwy site is within a geologic hazard area of steep slopes.

The proposed Lakemont Blvd. site is within the 50-foot critical buffer area of a Type N stream.

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?

No people will reside in the completed project.

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?

No persons will be displaced by the completed project.

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:

No displacements will occur, therefore no mitigation measures are proposed.

i. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:

The proposed project is the outcome of an extensive neighborhood process. A City of Bellevue interdepartmental team developed goals and objectives for the proposed project compatible with existing and projected land use plans under the City of Bellevue Comprehensive Plan. Neighborhood signs were an important element of the master plan for Forest Drive SE with funding provided by the Urban Boulevards/Great Streets CIP. Pending permit approvals, this proposed projects land use designation, as a "new essential public facility" will provide a coordinated system of street name signs. Additionally, the City of Bellevue Parks & Community Services Department will manage and maintain the proposed project street signs and surrounding areas of restored landscaping.

9. Housing

- a. **Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

No housing units would be provided as part of this proposed project.

- b. **Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

No housing units would be eliminated as a result of this proposed project.

- c. **Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:**

Mitigation measures have not been developed for housing impacts as none are anticipated to occur for this proposed project.

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?**

The highest point of the proposed street sign structures is 8 feet in height. The principal building materials will be concrete and stone veneer.

- b. **What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?**

The proposed project would alter views of invasive vegetation and debris at both sites. The street name signs would provide an aesthetically appealing coordinated system of signage for Forest Drive SE in addition to providing restoration of the surrounding areas with native plantings that would enhance habitat quality.

- c. **Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:**

The proposed measures to reduce and control aesthetic impacts will be to incorporate the street signs into each of the proposed locations minimizing alterations to the natural contour of the topography. Restoration of the surrounding areas will include removal of invasive species, retention and replanting of native species that will significantly enhance aesthetic of sites, and increased care and maintenance of street signs and surrounding vegetation.

11. Light and Glare

- a. **What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?**

The proposed project will not produce light or glare.

- b. **Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?**

The proposed project will not generate light or glare that would be a safety hazard or interfere with views.

- c. **What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?**

The proposed projects surrounding habitat will be somewhat impacted from light and glare associated with vehicles travelling on Coal Creek Pkwy, Forest Drive SE and Lakemont Blvd.

- d. **Proposed measures to reduce or control light or glare impacts, if any:**

No light or glare impacts are anticipated to result from the proposed project.

12. Recreation

- a. **What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?**

The Coal Creek Pkwy site is in proximity to the Coal Creek Natural Area, an extensive trail system used for passive recreational activities such as hiking, bird watching, etc.

The Lakemont Blvd. site is designated as Parks Open Space and is in proximity to sidewalks and trails that connect to Lewis Creek Park used for both passive and active recreational activities.

b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.

The proposed project will not displace any existing recreational uses rather it would enhance undeveloped passive open spaces and provide a coordinated system of street name signs.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

The proposed project will not impact recreational activities occurring in the vicinity of the project. As a result, measures to reduce or control impacts have not been developed.

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.

According to the National Register of Historic Places, the Washington State Heritage Register, and the Register of King County Landmarks, no registered places or objects are on or adjacent to the proposed project site. No places or objects eligible for any of the above registers are known to be on or next to the proposed project site.

b. Generally describe any landmarks or evidence of historic, archeological, scientific, or cultural importance known to be on or next to the site.

The proposed project site does not contain landmarks or evidence of historic, archeological, scientific, or cultural importance known to be on or next to the site.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts, if any:

No impacts to historic or cultural resources are anticipated as a result of the proposed project. However, in the event any archaeological material is discovered during construction activity, all construction will be stopped and a qualified archaeologist will be consulted.

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.

Public streets currently serving the both sites include Coal Creek Pkwy, Forest Drive SE and Lakemont Blvd.

b. Is site currently served by public transit? If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?

Both sites are served by public transit. Metro bus route 219 stops at the intersection of Somerset Dr. SE and Forest Drive SE and also at the intersection of Forest Drive SE and Lakemont Blvd.

c. How many parking spaces would the completed project have? How many would the project eliminate?

The proposed project will neither create nor eliminate parking spaces.

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 project will not require any new roads or streets, or improvements to existing roads or streets.

e. Will the project use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.

The proposed project will not use, or occur in the immediate vicinity of water, rail, or air transportation.

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- f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur.

The proposed project will not generate any additional vehicle trips.

- g. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

Transportation impacts are not anticipated to occur as a result of project implementation.

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.

The proposed project will not result in an increased need for public services.

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

The proposed project will not impact public services. No measures to reduce or control impacts have been developed.

16. Utilities

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site:

Coal Creek Site.

electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer,
 septic system, other _____.

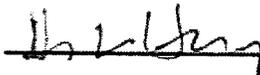
No utilities at Lakemont Blvd. site.

- 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.

No changes to the type, or provider utility services are proposed for this project.

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 4.9.09

EXHIBIT 1

VICINITY MAP

