DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR
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BELLEVUE, WA 98009-9012

OPTIONAL DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS) NOTICE MATERIALS

The attached materials are being sent to you pursuant to the requirements for the Optional DNS Process (WAC 197-11-355). A DNS on the attached proposal is likely. This may be the only opportunity to comment on environmental impacts of the proposal. Mitigation measures from standard codes will apply. Project review may require mitigation regardless of whether an EIS is prepared. A copy of the subsequent threshold determination for this proposal may be obtained upon request.

File No. 11-104842-WE

Project Name/Address: Lake Hills Greenbelt – Larsen Lake Management Plan
14812 SE 8th St.

Planner: Sally Nichols

Phone Number: (425) 452-2727

Minimum Comment Period: 14 days

Materials included in this Notice:

- [x] Blue Bulletin
- [x] Checklist
- [x] Vicinity Map
- [ ] Plans
- [ ] Other:

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

12/21/00

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and adherence to these procedures. 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.

INTRODUCTION

Purpose of the Checklist:

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), chapter 43.21c RCW, requires all governmental agencies to consider the environmental impacts of a proposal before making decisions. An environmental impact statement (EIS) must be prepared for all proposals with probable significant adverse impacts on the quality of the environment. The purpose of this checklist is to provide information to help you and the City of Bellevue identify impacts from your proposal (and to reduce or avoid impacts from the proposal, if it can be done) and to help the City decide whether an EIS is required.

Instructions for Applicants:

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Answer the questions briefly, with the most precise information known, or give the best description you can. You must answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. In most cases, you should be able to answer the questions from your own observations or project plans without the need to hire experts. If you really do not know the answer, or if a question does not apply to your proposal, write "do not know" or "does not apply." Complete answers to the questions now may avoid unnecessary delays later.

Some questions ask about governmental regulations, such as zoning, shoreline, and landmark designations. Answer these questions if you can. If you have problems, the Planner in the Permit Center can assist you. The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. Include references to any reports or studies that you are aware of which are relevant to the answers you provide. The City may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impacts.

Use of a Checklist for Nonproject Proposals: *A nonproject proposal includes plans, policies, and programs where actions are different or broader than a single site-specific proposal.*

For nonproject proposals, complete the Environmental Checklist even though you may answer "does not apply" to most questions. In addition, complete the Supplemental Sheet for Nonproject Actions available from Permit Processing.

For nonproject actions, the references in the checklist to the words *project*, *applicant*, and *property* or *site* should be read as *proposal*, *proposer*, and *affected geographic area*, respectively.

Attach an 8½" x 11" vicinity map which accurately locates the proposed site.

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Property Owner: **City of Bellevue**

Proponent: **City of Bellevue – Parks and Community Services Department, Attn: Geoff Bradley**
450 110th Ave NE
Bellevue, WA 98004
(425) 452-2740

Contact Person: **The Watershed Company, Attn: Kenny Booth**
(If different from the owner. All questions and correspondence will be directed to the individual listed.)

Address: **750 Sixth Street South, Kirkland, WA 98033**

Phone: **(425) 822-5242**

Proposal Title: **Kelsey Creek Enhancement at Larsen Lake**

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

Project is located on the east side of 148th Avenue SE, just north of SE 8th Street - Bellevue, 98007, King County. Project is located within ten parcels:

1. **360 148th Avenue SE, Tax parcel 3525059065, Legal:** S 1/2 OF NW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 LESS W 1050 FT OF N 100 FT LESS RD LESS BEG NE COR SD SUBD TH N 88-39-59 W 270.71 TH S 00-13-47 E 100 FT TH N 88-40-00 W 507.53 FT TH S 01-16-32 E 562.66 FT TO S LN OF NW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 TH E TO SE COR SD SUBD TH N 00-09-31 W 662.01 FT TO POB

2. **362 148th Avenue SE, Tax parcel 3525059078, Legal:** BEG SE COR OF S 1/2 OF NW 1/4 OF SW1/4 TH N88-41-10W ALG S LN THOF 767.1 FT TH N01-16-32W 562.66 FT TH S 88-40-00 E 507.53 FT TH N 00-13-47 W 100 FT TO N LN OF SD SUBD TH ALG SD LN S 88-39-59 E 270.71 FT TO E LN SD NW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 TH S 00-09-31 E ALG SD E LN TO POB TGW POR DAF - SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 COMM NW COR OF SD 1/4 1/4 TH S 88-41-10 E 659.42 FT ALG N LN OF SD 1/4 1/4 TO POB TH CONT ALG SD N LN S88-41-10 E 46.35 FT TH S 88-48-18 W 57.10 FT TH N 78-09-45 E 10.99 FT TO POB

3. **370 148th Avenue SE, Tax parcel 3525059080, Legal:** POR OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 SEC 35-25-5 LY N OF LN DAF-BEG NW COR THOF TH S 00-13-21 E 101.81 FT ALG W LN SD 1/4 SEC TH N 89-46-39 E 30 FT TO TPOB SD LN TH N 89-46-39 E 219.88 FT TH N 78-09-45 E 406.87 FT TH N 88-47-10 E 53.70 FT M/L TO N LN SD SUBD & TERM LESS POR DAF - SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 COMM NW COR OF SD 1/4 1/4 TH S 88-41-10 E 659.42 FT ALG N LN OF SD 1/4 1/4 TO POB TH CONT ALG SD N LN S 88-41-10 E 46.35 FT TH S 88-48-18 W 57.10 FT TH N 78-09-45 E 10.99 FT TO POB

4. **400 148th Avenue SE, Tax parcel 3525059009, Legal:** POR OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 DAF - BEG SE COR OF S 1/2 OF NW1/4 OF SW1/4 SEC 35-25-5 TH N 88-41-10 W 199.80 FT TO TPOB TH S 68-54-01 W 164.14 FT TH N 61-51-45 W 138.69 FT TH S 88-41-10 E 275.51 FT TO TPOB TGW POR DAF BEG SW COR OF NW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 SD SEC TH S 00-13-21 E 101.81 FT ALG W LN SD SEC TH N 89-46-39 E

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5. **420 148th Avenue SE, Tax parcel 3525059066, Legal:** POR OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 BAAP S 00-13-47 E 1595.68 FT & N 89-46-13 E 30 FT FR NW COR OF SW 1/4; TH N 52-15-38 E 277.17 FT TH N 78-09-45 E 406.87 FT TH N 88-48-18 E 57.10 FT TO NXN N LN SD SUBD TH CONTG ALG SD LN ELY TAP 475.31 FT WLY OF NE COR SD SUBD TH S 61-51-45 E 138.69 FT TH N 68-54-01 E 164.14 TAP ON N LN SD SUBD AAP 199.80 FT W OF NE COR TH ELY ALG SD N LN 199.80 FT TO SD COR TH S ALG E LN SD SUBD 30 FT TH S 68-53-51 W 248.29 FT TH S 16-24-50 E 258.48 FT TH S 28-54-16 W 264.41 FT TH S 00-39-31 E 222.61 FT TH S 45 W 80 FT TH N 81-51-13 W 588.35 FT TH N 44-13-41 W 368.4 FT TH N 22-28-52 W 144.44 FT TH S 89-46-13 W 52.89 FT TO E MGN 148TH AVE SE TH N ALG SD MGN 157.11 FT TO POB

6. **14812 SE 8th Street, Tax parcel 3525059067, Legal:** POR OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 LY SLY OF FOLG DESC LN-BEG NE COR OF SD SUBD TH S ALG E LN THOF 30.01 FT TH S 68-53-51 W 248.29 FT TH S 16-24-50 E 258.48 FT TH S 28-54-16 W 264.41 FT TH S 00-39-21 E 222.61 FT TH S 45-00-00 W 80 FT TH N 81-51-13 W 588.35 FT TH N 44-13-41 W 368.40 FT TH N 22-28-52 W 144.44 FT TH S 89-46-13 W 52.89 FT TO ELY MGN OF 148TH AVE SE & TERMINUS OF SD DESC LN S 30 FT FOR RD

7. **No address, Tax parcel 3525059010, Legal:** POR OF NW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 OF SE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 LY WLY OF PLAT OF LAKE HILLS # 23 LESS W 35 FT LESS S 120 FT OF N 150 FT MEAS ALG W LN

8. **15240 Lake Hills Blvd., Tax parcel 3525059023, Legal:** W 1/2 OF SE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 LESS S 300 FT LESS N 330 FT LESS W 35 FT LESS POR PLATTED LAKE HILLS # 23

9. **No address, Tax parcel 3525059038, Legal:** W 35 FT OF SE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 LESS CO RD-S 30 FT THOF FOR RD

10. **No address, Tax parcel 2207200911, Legal:** EASTGATE HILLS EVERGREEN ADD # 2 BEG 37.21 FT W OF NE COR OF TR B TH W 82.79 FT TH S 01 DEG 35 MIN 04 SEC W TO NLY LN OF EASTGATE HILLS BLVD TH NELY TO PT S 01 DEG 35 MIN 04 SEC W OF BEG TH N 01 DEG 35 MIN 04 SEC E TO BEG

Please attach an 8½" 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 City of Bellevue, Parks and Community Services Department proposes to carry out enhancement activities on City-owned property at Lake Hills Greenbelt Park. Activities include removal of existing invasive species; the planting of native trees and shrubs; and the placement of habitat snags and fallen trees. The primary purpose of the proposed project is mitigation for off-site impacts associated with the K-Mart/Costco redevelopment project. Parks intends to utilize funds made available by the K-Mart/Costco redevelopment project to implement the approved conceptual mitigation plan. Parks further intends to supplement the conceptual plan by proposing additional areas of habitat enhancement. A total of 537,382 square feet of enhancement is proposed.

Proposed improvements are expected to occur within wetland areas, wetland buffers, and the buffers of Kelsey Creek and Larsen Lake. No permanent impacts will result from enhancement activities and an overall net gain in critical area functions and values is expected. Activities will occur in two phases. Phase 1 enhancement activities are associated with the approved conceptual mitigation for the K-Mart/Costco project. Phase 2 enhancement is associated with voluntary habitat improvement efforts led by the City of

Bellevue Parks and Community Services Department.

2. Acreage of site:

   Tax parcel 3525059065 is 5.67 acres.
   Tax parcel 3525059078 is 10.58 acres.
   Tax parcel 3525059080 is 1.03 acres.
   Tax parcel 3525059066 is 17.51 acres.
   Tax parcel 3525059067 is 20.40 acres.
   Tax parcel 3525059010 is 0.59 acre.
   Tax parcel 3525059023 is 3.58 acres.
   Tax parcel 3525059038 is 1.04 acres.
   Tax parcel 2207200911 is 0.09 acre.

   However, the project area (where enhancement will occur) is approx. 537,382 sq. ft. (12.33 acres).

3. Number of dwelling units/buildings to be demolished: **None**

4. Number of dwelling units/buildings to be constructed: **None**

5. Square footage of buildings to be demolished: **N/A**

6. Square footage of buildings to be constructed: **N/A**

7. Quantity of earth movement (in cubic yards): **Cut: none / Fill: 2,650 cubic yards**

8. Proposed land use: **The project area is located within the Lake Hills Greenbelt Park. The project area is currently undeveloped and owned by the City of Bellevue. There are no changes proposed to the existing land use.**

9. Design features, including building height, number of stories, and proposed exterior materials: **No structures are proposed as part of the enhancement project. Native plantings and woody debris are to be added to portions of the park.**

10. Other

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

Once started, clearing (non-native/invasive species removal) and native planting should take approximately four to eight weeks. It is anticipated that construction would occur sometime in the summer/fall of 2011. Regular maintenance including weeding and plant replacement, will take place during a 5-year establishment period following initial installation.

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

None at this time.

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

None.

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.

None.

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 – submitted concurrently with this SEPA Checklist (City of Bellevue)
Shoreline Exemption Permit – submitted concurrently with this SEPA Checklist (City of Bellevue)
Clearing and Grading Permit – not yet applied (City of Bellevue)
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – Section 404
WA. Dept of Ecology – Section 401
NPDES – Stormwater General Permit

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 (circle one): Flat Rolling Hilly Steep slopes Mountains Other:

The project site is relatively flat throughout the project area.

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

The project area is nearly completely flat, with the exception of the banks of Kelsey Creek (approximately 25%).

c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any prime farmland.

According to the King County Soil Survey, the entire project area is mapped as Seattle Muck (SK).

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

No indications of unstable soils were observed.

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

No excavation is proposed. Filling includes the use of 150 cubic yards of native soil as backfill for installation of habitat snags and for conifer hummock planting. Additional filling includes 2,500 cubic yards of mulch associated with native plant installation.

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

Erosion could occur if exposed soils are mobilized by rainfall. Short-term erosion may occur in areas cleared of vegetation. However, any impacts would be short-term and the measures described below 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)?

No new impervious surfaces are proposed.

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

All clearing and grading construction would be in accordance with City of Bellevue Clearing & Grading Code (Chapter 23.76), permit conditions, and all other applicable codes, ordinances, and standards. To minimize impacts, the applicant proposes to use temporary erosion and sedimentation control measures such as silt fencing. The fencing would be installed around soil stockpile areas and exposed soils as necessary to prevent any silt-laden water from reaching adjacent waters during rainfall. Matting or fabric-reinforced driving surfaces will be used where necessary for woody debris installation. All plants will be mulched with wood chips upon installation.

It is not anticipated that soils would be left exposed for more than two days. However, to ensure that erosion potential is minimized, disturbed soils shall be covered with straw,

hydroseeded, or otherwise revegetated with native plants as soon after construction as possible. In all cases, exposed soil must be covered at the end of the construction week and also at the threat of rain.

2. AIR

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

Any air quality impacts from construction-related vehicle trips would be temporary. After project completion, no further impacts to air would occur.

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

There are no off-site sources of emissions that will affect the project.

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

Standard methods of reducing impacts to air would be utilized, and include keeping all hand-held power equipment and construction vehicles in good operating condition and managing disturbed soils as described above under 1h.

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 project site is adjacent to Larsen Lake, Kelsey Creek, and associated wetland areas. Kelsey Creek is classified as a Type F water.

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 proposed enhancement activities (see attached plans) will occur within some areas of wetlands and almost entirely within 200 feet of either wetlands or Kelsey Creek.

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 only fill to be placed in wetlands is wood chip mulch and native soil associated with enhancement activities. A total of approximately 150 cubic yards of native soil will be used as backfill to install habitat snags and for conifer hummock planting. An additional 2,500 cubic yards of mulch will be installed throughout the project area as part of the enhancement activities. No fill (of any kind) will be placed in Kelsey Creek or Larsen Lake.

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

No.

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

Yes. The project site does lie within a 100-year floodplain.

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.

No intentional discharges of waste materials would occur during project construction.

b. Ground

1. Will ground water be withdrawn, or will water be discharged to ground water? Give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

There will be no withdrawal of or discharge to ground water associated with this project.

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 project.

c. Water runoff (including stormwater):

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.

Storm water runoff is not expected to be altered as a result of the project.

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

It is not expected that waste materials will enter the on-site wetlands, Kelsey Creek, or Larsen Lake. Enhancement activities will be done by hand. A crane may be utilized to install fallen trees and habitat snags. However, the crane would be positioned on existing access paths/trails or temporary access paths may be created using mats or temporary fabric-supported driving surfaces. All temporary access paths will be restored following log/snag placement.

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

The erosion control measures described under question 1h would help control impacts to surface and runoff water. In addition, all hand-held power equipment would be in good working order.

4. PLANTS

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

☒ deciduous tree: **alder**, **maple**, aspen, other:
☒ evergreen tree: **fir**, **cedar**, **pine**, other:

- ☒ shrubs: **Himalayan blackberry, salmonberry, sword fern, willow, red-osier dogwood, black twinberry, evergreen blackberry**
- ☐ pasture
- ☒ crop or grain
- ☒ wet soil plants: **cattail**, **buttercup**, bulrush, **skunk cabbage**, other: **stinging nettle, salal, knotweed**
- ☒ water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other:
- ☐ other types of vegetation:

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

Significant amounts of non-native vegetation will be removed from the site, including Himalayan blackberry and reed canarygrass. No significant trees or native vegetation is proposed for removal.

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

No threatened or endangered plant species 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:

537,382 square feet of enhancement is proposed. This includes removal of existing invasive species and the planting of native trees and shrubs. Proposed native plantings include Oregon ash, Sitka spruce, shore pine, Douglas-fir, pacific willow, western red cedar, yellow twig dogwood, red twig dogwood, Douglas hawthorne, black twinberry, pacific crabapple, pacific ninebark, peafruit rose, cascara, black swamp gooseberry, salmonberry, red elderberry, Sitka willow, and highbush cranberry. Further, a total of 12 fallen trees and 25 habitat snags are proposed.

5. ANIMALS

a. 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: **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.

Adult and juvenile chinook salmon, steelhead trout (listed as Threatened under the Federal Endangered Species Act) and coho salmon (listed as a Species of Concern under the Federal Endangered Species Act) migrate through Lake Washington and into portions of Kelsey Creek. Adults migrate upstream to reach spawning grounds; juveniles migrate downstream from their natal streams to reach the ocean. Presence of these fish within the immediate project area is unlikely, it is however possible.

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

No.

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

The proposed project will enhance wildlife habitat through the removal of invasive species and the planting of native species within the project area.

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 needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.

Hand-held power equipment or a mower will be used for vegetation removal. A crane and/or tracked equipment may be utilized to install fallen trees and snags. However, no energy will be necessary after the project is completed.

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

No

c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any:

No forms of energy are necessary for the completed project.

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.

Typical hazards related to electrical and gasoline powered hand tools and equipment are associated with construction of the proposed project. Machinery for woody debris placement will use petroleum fuel and lubricants.

1) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

Emergency services are not anticipated at the site. In the unlikely event that an accident (spill, fire, other exposure) occurs involving toxic chemicals or hazardous wastes, the local Fire Department's Hazardous Materials Team would respond. If necessary, local medical services might also be required. The full range of safety and accident response supplies would be on-site to treat any emergency during construction.

2) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

Standard precautions would be taken to ensure the safety of the work crew. The construction manager would be contacted by a crew member immediately upon discovery of a spill. The construction manager would then ensure that the spill is cleaned up in the manner dictated by the chemical use instructions and would contact the appropriate authorities.

b. Noise

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

The project site is located adjacent to 148th Avenue SE, a heavily traveled road. However, proposed enhancement activities are located more than 400 feet from the roadway.

2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site.

Noise associated with the proposed project would be restricted to the use of a mower, hand-operated power tools, and construction vehicles entering/exiting the park. Construction noise would be limited to normal daytime working hours as dictated by the City of Bellevue's noise policy. There would be no significant long-term noise associated with the proposed project.

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

As mentioned above, noise would be limited to daylight weekday hours and possibly some Saturdays. No other noise-control measures are necessary.

8. LAND AND SHORELINE USE

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

The City of Bellevue currently owns all parcels upon which enhancement is proposed. The parcels are designated open spaces within the City and lie within the limits of the Lake Hills Greenbelt Park. Additional areas of the park are located to the west and south of the project area; single-family residences are located easterly of the site; and the former K-Mart shopping center site is located north of the site.

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

Yes, portions of the park contain blueberry fields, which are annually farmed. No impacts to the blueberry fields are proposed.

c. Describe any structures on the site.

A visitor center is located in the southwestern portion of the park, near the intersection of 148th Avenue SE and SE 8th Street. Proposed enhancement activities are located over 1,000 feet from the structure. No other structures are located on the project site.

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

No structures are proposed for demolition.

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

The project site is designated as Single-Family Residential Office (R-1) zoning.

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

The project site has a Comprehensive Plan designation of Parks/Single-Family Residential – Low Density (P/SF-L).

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

The project site lies within jurisdiction of the City's existing Shoreline Master Program. However, no specific designation currently exists.

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

The project site contains areas of wetland, Kelsey Creek, Larsen Lake, and a 100-year floodplain. These areas are considered to be "environmentally sensitive" areas. The applicant will apply for a Critical Areas Land Use Permit to allow for activities within the sensitive area and sensitive area buffers.

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

No person will reside or work in the completed project.

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

No person will be displaced as a result of this project.

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

Does not apply.

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

The size, sensitive area status of the site, and City-ownership will prevent any future development opportunities. Therefore, it is appropriate and compatible that the site be used as open space and managed by the Parks and Community Services Department. The enhancement activities are in accordance with the City's long-term goal of making open and natural spaces accessible to citizens for passive recreation.

9. HOUSING

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

None.

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

None.

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

Does not apply.

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?

No structures are proposed as part of the enhancement project.

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

Views within the project area may actually improve with removal of invasive species and replacement with native plantings. Overall, the proposed project will provide increased passive recreational and wildlife viewing opportunities for the public. Otherwise, views will not be altered or obstructed.

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

No measures are necessary.

11. LIGHT AND GLARE

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

No light or glare will be produced by the proposed project.

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

No.

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

None.

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

No measures are necessary.

12. RECREATION

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

The project site is currently part of the Lake Hills Greenbelt Park. The Lake Hills Greenbelt is a wetland corridor encompassing more than 150 acres of diverse wildlife habitat including forests, wetlands, streams and lakes. Amenities include trails, picnic areas, blueberry farms and seasonal produce stands.

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

No. The proposed project will enhance passive recreational use within the area by removing invasive vegetation and adding native plants.

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

No measures are necessary.

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.

No places or objects of this type are known to exist in the immediate vicinity.

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

There is no known evidence of historic or cultural importance on the project site.

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

Should historic, archeological, scientific or cultural significant items be encountered during implementation of this project, work would be temporarily stopped while the appropriate agencies are notified.

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 site is currently accessed via 148th Avenue SE. Site access would not change as a result of the proposed project.

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

The nearest King County Metro transit stop is located at the corner of 148th Avenue SE and SE 8th Street, at the southwestern corner of the park.

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

This 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).

No new roads, streets, or improvements to existing streets are proposed.

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

Water, rail, or air transportation would not be utilized by the completed project.

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

None.

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

None.

15. PUBLIC SERVICES

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

No increase in public service needs will result from this project.

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

None.

16. UTILITIES

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

No utilities are currently available at the 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 new utilities are proposed as part of the 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

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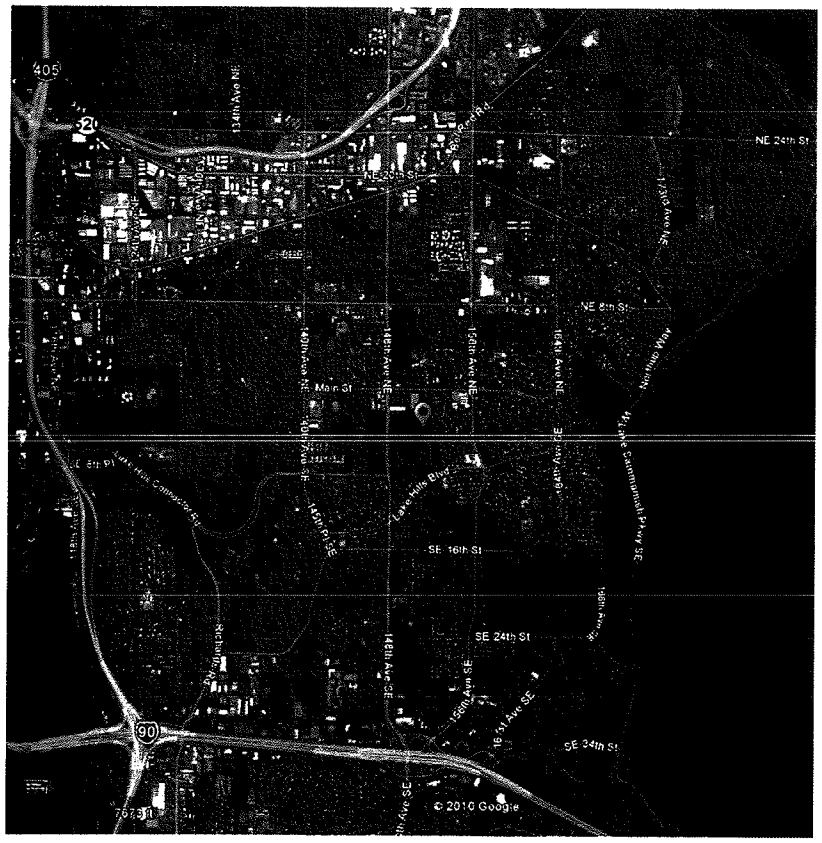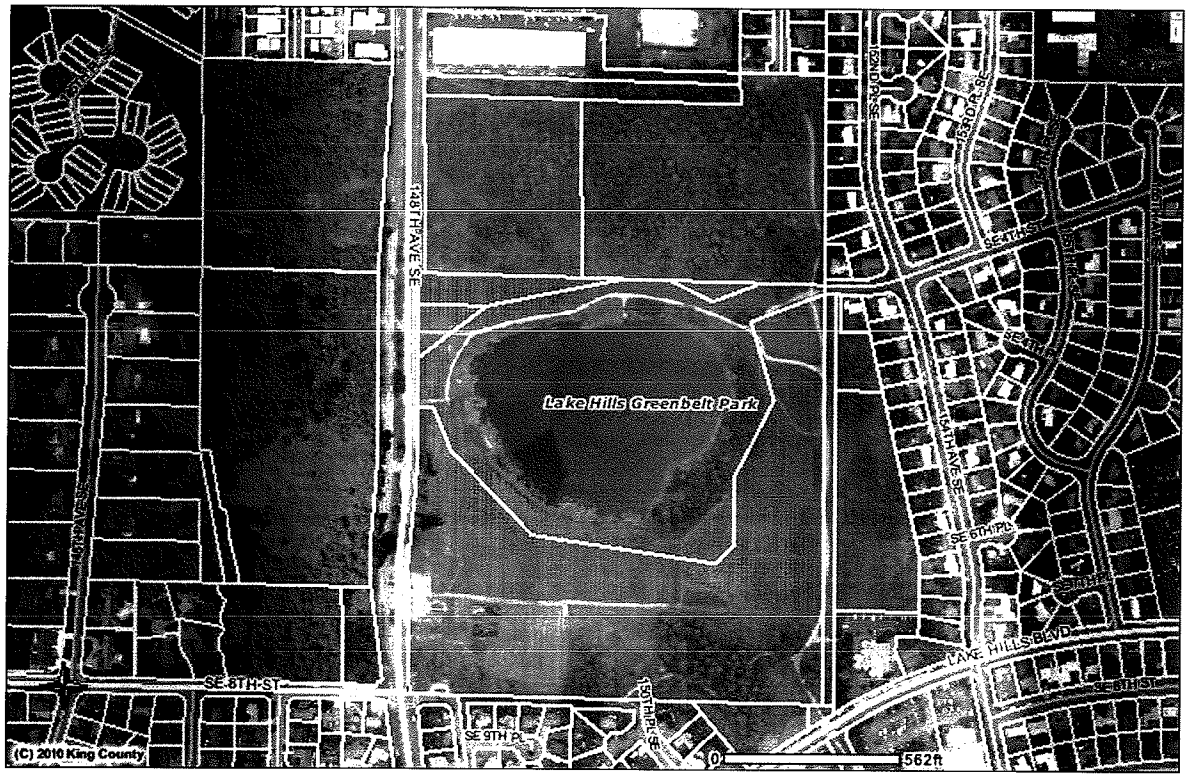
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