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### **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. 11-115322 LA  
Project Name/Address: AT&T WA461 Newport High School  
4333 Factoria Boulevard, Bellevue, WA  
Planner: Toni Pratt  
Phone Number: 425-452-5374

**Minimum Comment Period Ends: August 4, 2011**

Materials included in this Notice:

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

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## ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

WAC 197-11-960

### **INTRODUCTION**

#### ***Purpose of 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 agency identify impacts from your proposal (and to reduce or avoid impacts from the proposal, if it can be done) and to help the agency decide whether an EIS is required.

#### ***Instructions for applicants:***

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Governmental agencies use this checklist to determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant, requiring preparation of an EIS. 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 governmental agencies 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. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

#### ***Use of checklist for nonproject proposals:***

Complete this checklist for nonproject proposals, even though questions may be answered "does not apply." IN ADDITION, complete the SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTIONS (part D).

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.

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Property Owner: **Bellevue Public School District**

Proponent: **AT&T Mobility**

Contact Person: **Tiffany McClurg, Pacific Telecom Services, Agent for AT&T Mobility**

Address: **568 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue South, Suite 650, Seattle, WA 98104**

Phone: **206.719.1639**

Proposed Title: **WA461 Newport High School**

Proposed Location: **4333 124<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA 98006**

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

1. General description: **AT&T Mobility proposes to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at Newport High School by adding a 10'-0" high square pole extension to the existing ball field light pole and adding three new LTE antennas flush-mounted to the extension. Also adding six RRH units and three surge boxes to base of pole and new "backpack" mounted LTE equipment cabinet to existing cabinet within the existing equipment shelter.**
2. Acreage of Site: **Entire parcel is over 41 acres.**
3. Number of dwelling units/buildings to be demolished: **0**
4. Number of dwelling units/buildings to be constructed: **0**
5. Square footage of buildings to be demolished: **0**
6. Square footage of buildings to be constructed: **0**
7. Quantity of earth movement: **0**
8. Proposed Land Use: **Proposal is to modify an existing WCF. Newport High School Ball Field will remain.**
9. Design features, including building height, number of stories and proposed exterior materials: **Proposal is to modify an existing 112'-0" WCF by adding a 10'-0" high square pole extension (making the entire pole 122'-0") and adding three new LTE antennas flush-mounted to extension. Proposed pole extension and new antennas will match existing site.**
10. Other: **N/A**

Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable): **As soon as possible.**

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

List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal. **None known.**

Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain. **None Known.**

List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

**City of Bellevue WCF Permit, City of Bellevue Administrative Conditional Use Permit**

Please provide one or more of the following exhibits, if applicable to 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 Plan – Site Plan

## A. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

### 1. EARTH

a. General description of the site (circle one): **Flat**, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other.

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

**Unknown.**

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.

**Sand and gravel.**

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

**None known.**

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

**None planned.**

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

**No, erosion measures would be used if necessary.**

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 will be created as this is a modification to an existing WCF and no ground work is proposed.**

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

**None planned.**

### 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.

**Some dust during construction, none expected after completion.**

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

**No.**

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

**None planned.**

### 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.

**No.**

- 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.

**No.**

- 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.

**None planned.**

- 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.

**Unknown.**

- 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 discharge of waste materials expected.**

b. Ground:

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

**No.**

- 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.

**None expected.**

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.

**Water would percolate into surrounding landscaping.**

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

**No.**

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

**None planned.**

#### 4. PLANTS

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

  X   deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other

- evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other
- shrubs
- grass
- pasture
- crop or grain
- wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, 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?

**None.**

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

**None known.**

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

**Existing landscaping to be maintained.**

## 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.

**None known.**

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

**Unknown.**

d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any: **None planned.**

## 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.

**Electrical will be used for power.**

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:

**None planned.**

## **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.

**All AT&T sites meet federal requirements regarding RF exposure limits, equipment to be locked.**

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

**None expected.**

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

**Equipment to be locked.**

- b. Noise

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

**None.**

- 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.

**None.**

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

**None planned.**

## **8. LAND AND SHORELINE USE**

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

**Site is a high school/athletic field and adjacent properties are single family residences and a church.**

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

**Not known.**

- c. Describe any structures on the site.

**Various school buildings, maintenance buildings, track & field, bleachers, stadium.**

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

**No.**

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

**R-5.**

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

**Unknown.**

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.

**Unknown.**

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

**None.**

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

**None.**

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

**None needed.**

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

**Proposal is to modify an existing telecommunications facility located at Newport High School by adding a 10'-0" high square pole extension to the existing ball field light pole and adding three new LTE antennas flush-mounted to the extension. The new extension and antennas will match the current site and will be compatible with the existing use of the site because the existing stadium lights attached to the current pole will remain.**

## **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:

**None planned.**

## **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?

**122'-0" – wood/glulam pole.**

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

**No views will be obstructed; however the 10' extension will be visible from the surrounding properties.**

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

**New 10' extension and flush-mounted antennas will match the existing pole.**

#### **11. LIGHT AND GLARE**

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

**None.**

- 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:

**None planned.**

#### **12. RECREATION**

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

**Walking paths, neighborhood parks, school ball fields.**

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

**No.**

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

**None planned.**

#### **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.

**None known.**

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

**None known.**

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

**None planned.**

#### **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.

**This site is along 124<sup>th</sup> Ave SE, just north of Coal Creek Parkway SE. See attached plans.**

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

**Unknown.**

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

**There will be no change to the current site parking.**

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.**

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

**No.**

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

**Less than 1 visit per month.**

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

**None planned.**

#### 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.**

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

**None planned.**

#### 16. UTILITIES

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

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.

**Electricity to be provided by PSE and telephone service to be provided by Qwest.**

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:

5/25/14

