

**State Environmental Policy Act
NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

Description of Proposal:

The proposed Project is an exploratory geotechnical investigation to inform the engineering design of the future development of the Industrial Rail Corridor Expansion project (IRCE). The IRCE will be permitted and evaluated through the State Environmental Protection Agency (SEPA) under a separate action. The Project will involve the placement of a test fill in a location within the proposed IRCE corridor to analyze the amount of settlement that could occur from fill placement for the embankment that would support the future rail corridor. Information gathered will also be especially important in determining the need for utility relocations along the proposed IRCE corridor. A wetland mitigation plan for the test fill location was developed as part of this Project.

Proponent: Port of Longview
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Location of Proposal: The Project is located in Longview, WA, Cowlitz County: Sections 10 and 11, Township 7N, Range 2W, W.M.

Lead Agency: Port of Longview

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030 (2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below.

Date Issued: December 17, 2020


Comments must be submitted by: December 31, 2020

Project documents can be found at: <https://www.portoflongview.com/212/State-Environmental-Policy-Act-SEPA>

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Ecology – SEPA Register
Ecology – Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program
Ecology – 401 Water Quality
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Port of Longview – Commission Meeting Notification List
Pacific Fibre Products
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