



# SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

## SUBMITTAL SUPPLEMENTAL

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### WAC 197-11-960 Environmental checklist.

#### *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:*

For nonproject proposals complete this checklist and the supplemental sheet for nonproject actions (Part D). The lead agency may exclude any question for the environmental elements (Part B) which they determine do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

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.

*(For Staff Use Only)*

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PROJECT #: LRN2021-00001

CASE #: SEP2021-00010

RELATED FILES:

**A. BACKGROUND**

STAFF USE ONLY

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

*(LRN2021-00001/SEP2021-00010) Town of Naches Emergency UGA Amendment.*

2. Name of applicant:

*Yakima County Planning Division*

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

*128 N. 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Yakima, WA. 98901*

4. Date checklist prepared:

*April 15, 2021*

5. Agency requesting checklist:

*Yakima County Planning Division*

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

*Planning Commission hearing and Board of Yakima County Commissioners hearing proposed before December 31, 2021.*

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

*No. This is a non-project environmental review of an amendment to Yakima County's Comprehensive Plan – **Horizon 2040** with a concurrent rezone to add an approximate 40.17 acres of land (including parcels 171533-43005, 171404-12404, 171404-12403, 171404-12402, 171404-12401, 171403-42004, 171403-42005, and 171403-42023) into the Town of Naches UGA for residential use. A project SEPA or SEPA checklists maybe required in the future.*

*This amendment will also be considered an early review of the Town of Naches Urban Growth Area (UGA) as part of Yakima County's 2022, 5-year UGA review cycle outside of the Growth Management Act's (GMA) eight-year comprehensive plan periodic review cycle as allowed by Subsection (II)(E)(1)(a) of the Master Interlocal Agreement for Growth Management Act (GMA) Implementation in Yakima County, Yakima County Code (YCC) 16B.10.040(5), and RCW 36.70A.130(2)(b).*

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

*The 2015-2016 GMA mandated Yakima County UGA Update was Reviewed under SEP2015-00053 and SEP2016-00006. The County's Comprehensive Plan – **Horizon 2040** – was reviewed under SEP2017-00011.*

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.

No.

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

*Legislative approval by Board of Yakima County Commissioners.*

11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)

*Yakima County must periodically review and, if needed, revise its comprehensive plan and development regulations to ensure that they comply with the GMA, as per the schedule provided in RCW 36.70A.130. This review also requires Yakima County to evaluate the County's fourteen designated UGAs by using the Washington State Office of Financial Management's population forecasts, the County's 20-year population allocations and a detailed land capacity analysis process. UGAs for all the cities and towns within Yakima County were reviewed updated in 2015-2016. The proposed UGA expansion to the Town of Naches is an emergency UGA request initiated by the town to add an approximate 40.17 acres for residential use.*

*There is a total of eight parcels proposed to be added into the Town of Naches UGA for a total of 40.17 acres. Parcel 171533-43005 is zoned Rural-10/5 (R-10/5) and currently has a land use designation of Rural Self-Sufficient. The other five parcels are zoned Agricultural (AG) and currently have a land use designation of Agricultural Resource. If approved, this would change the land use designation to Urban Residential.*

12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist.

*This is a non-project action that changes the Urban Growth Boundary, future land use designations and zoning for the Town of Naches to include parcels 171533-43005, 171404-12404, 171404-12403, 171404-12402, 171404-12401, 171403-42004, 171403-42005, and 171403-42023 to their UGA.*

## **B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS**

### **1. Earth**

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

*The subject properties are relatively flat. There are no specific environmental impacts generated from these proposed non-project changes. Potential impacts will be noted when appropriate.*

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

*The slope of these sites is less than 1%. There are no specific environmental impacts generated from these proposed non-project changes. Potential impacts will be noted when appropriate.*

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 agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils.

***Parcel No. 171533-43005 (R-10/5 Zoning District)***

*Cleman very fine sandy loam – 5 to 8 percent slopes*

*Cleman very fine sandy loam – 8 to 15 percent slopes*

***Parcel No. 171404-12404 (AG Zoning District)***

*Ashue loam*

*Cleman very fine sandy loam – 2 to 5 percent slopes*

*Cleman very fine sandy loam – 5 to 8 percent slopes*

*Naches loam*

***Parcel No. 171404-12403 (AG Zoning District)***

*Cleman very fine sandy loam – 2 to 5 percent slopes*

*Cleman very fine sandy loam – 5 to 8 percent slopes*

***Parcel Nos. 171404-12402 and 171404-12401 (AG Zoning District)***

*Ashue loam*

*Naches loam*

***Parcel Nos. 171403-42004, 171403-42005, and 171403-42023 (AG Zoning Districts)***

*Ashue loam*

*The Agricultural zoned properties will require an agricultural de-designation review that will be completed in association with this UGA amendment review as required by YCC 16B.10.095.*

*There are no specific environmental impacts generated from these proposed non-project changes. Potential impacts will be noted when appropriate.*

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

*None known. Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no fill, excavation, or grading are proposed at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control erosion.*

## 2. Air

a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control emissions.*

## 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. A review of Yakima County's GIS did not show any mapped critical areas or shorelines on the subject parcels.*

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.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and there are no mapped critical areas or shorelines.*

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.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and there are no mapped critical areas or shorelines.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no surface water withdrawals or diversions proposed.*

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

*No. A review of Yakima County's GIS did not show any mapped floodplains on the subject parcels.*

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. This is a non-project action review and no discharges proposed.*

b. Ground:

1) Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well? Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review.*

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.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review.*

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.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control surface, ground, runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts.*

#### 4. Plants

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

- Deciduous tree: Alder, maple, aspen, other
- Evergreen tree: Fir, cedar, pine, other
- Shrubs
- ✓ — Grass
- Pasture
- ✓ — Crop or grain
- Orchards, vineyards or other permanent crops.
- 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?

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

#### 5. Animals

a. List any birds and other animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site. Examples include:

Birds: Hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:

Mammals: Deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:

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

*Hawks, songbirds, deer*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

## 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.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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:

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action and unknown at this time. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control energy impacts.*

## 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.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

1) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.



*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

2) Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

3) Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

4) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control environmental health hazards.*

#### **b. Noise**

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

*Traffic, equipment, operation, all urban type noises may be present. Noise associated with farming.*

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.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control noise impacts.*

#### **8. Land and shoreline use**

a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe.

*Agricultural, Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Recreational, Open Space, and Natural Resource uses.*

b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses as a result of the proposal, if any? If resource lands

have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use?

*The properties to be rezoned are currently being farmed. The inclusion of this property into the UGA would change the land use designation of approximately 40.17 acres land designated as Agricultural land to land that is designated Urban (Residential). The current assessment for the parcel is agricultural.*

1) Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how:

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

c. Describe any structures on the site.

*There are single family residences on parcels 171533-43005, 171404-12404, 171404-12403, 171404-12402, 171404-12401, and 171403-42005. Parcels 171403-42004 and 171403-42023 are vacant.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*The current zoning districts are Rural-10/5 (R10/5) and Agricultural (AG).*

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

*The current comprehensive plan designations are Rural Self-Sufficient and Agricultural Resource.*

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 critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.

*No.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

m. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with nearby agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

## 9. Housing

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control housing impacts.*

## 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?

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control aesthetic impacts.*

## 11. Light and glare

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

c. What existing offsite sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control light and glare impacts.*

## 12. Recreation

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and unknown at this time. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control recreation related impacts.*

## 13. Historic and cultural preservation

a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers located on or near the site? If so, specifically describe.

*None known.*

b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation. This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Is there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources.

*None known. These properties have been historically farmed and also used for residential purposes.*

c. Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc.

*Notice is to be provided to the Yakama Nation for their review.*

d. Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control historical or cultural resource related impacts.*

#### 14. Transportation

a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area, and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed.*

b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?

*The site is not served by public transportation.*

c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate?

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed.*

d. Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed.*

f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and non-passenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed.*

g. Will the proposal interfere with, affect or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control transportation related impacts.*

**15. Public services**

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed.*

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

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed. Development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation will be used for all project permit applications to reduce or control public services impacts.*

**16. Utilities**

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

*Electricity, water, sanitary sewer will be made available as stated by Nache's request.*

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.

*Not applicable. This is a non-project action review and no development is proposed.*

**C. 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:     *T. Viny*    

Date Submitted:     *4/19/21*

## **D. SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTIONS**

(do not use this sheet for project actions)

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

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

*There are no increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise as a result of this non-project action. The proposed increase to the UGA is approximately 40.17-acres.*

**Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:**

*No impacts proposed or suggested; however, all urban level development allowed or permitted must adhere to all applicable development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation for all project permit applications to reduce or control environmental impacts.*

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

*The proposed non-project action will not affect plants, animals, fish or marine life.*

**Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:**

*No impacts proposed or suggested; however, all urban level development allowed or permitted must adhere to all applicable development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation for all project permit applications to reduce or control impacts to plants, animals, fish or marine life.*

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

*The proposed non-project action will have no effect on energy or natural resources.*

**Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:**

*No impacts proposed or suggested, however all urban level development allowed or permitted must adhere to all applicable development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation for all project permit applications to reduce or control impacts to energy or natural resources.*

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

*The proposed non-project action will have no effect on parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, or flood plains. The sites are currently designated as Rural Self-Sufficient and Agricultural Resource. An agricultural de-designation review will be conducted as part of the comprehensive plan map amendment. The*

*agricultural de-designation will review/determine whether it is appropriate to de-designate these properties.*

**Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:**

*No impacts proposed or suggested; however, all development allowed or permitted must adhere to all applicable development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation for all project permit applications to reduce or control impacts to parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, flood plains, or prime farmlands.*

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

*The proposed non-project action will have no effect on land and shoreline use.*

**Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:**

*No impacts proposed or suggested, however all development allowed or permitted must adhere to all applicable development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation for all project permit applications to reduce or control impacts to land and shoreline use.*

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

*The proposed non-project action will have no effect on transportation or public services and utilities.*

**Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:**

*No impacts proposed or suggested, however all development allowed or permitted must adhere to all applicable development regulations and possible SEPA mitigation for all project permit applications to reduce or control impacts to transportation or public services and utilities.*

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

*The proposed non-project action will not conflict with any local, state, or federal laws that pertain to the protection of the environment.*