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STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT
DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Date of Issuance: November 25, 2018

Lead agency: Department of Ecology, Toxics Cleanup Program, Southwest Regional Office

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Project Name: Port of Longview TPH Interim Action—Berth 1 and 2 Pipe Removal

Description of Proposal:

The project proponents propose to conduct an interim action at the Port of Longview TPH Cleanup Site (Site). The interim action is subject to Agreed Order No. DE 15907 (Agreed Order) between the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) and the proponents listed below. An interim action is distinguished from a cleanup action in that an interim action only partially addresses the cleanup of a site. The cleanup action to address the remaining impacts at the Site will be conducted after the provisions of the Agreed Order have been satisfied, and will be subject to a separate State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) review.

Berths 1 and 2 are currently utilized for import and export of bulk products. Historically, these berths were used to import petroleum products and contaminated ballast water to upland facilities through five under berth (suspended) pipelines. The under berth pipelines were connected to below ground pipelines that ran north to upland petroleum handling facilities. The pipelines underneath the berths have fallen into disrepair and are prone to leaks. The proposed interim action consists of removing and disposing of the exposed pipelines.

Ecology is required to conduct a SEPA environmental determination for a MTCA remedial action. Under Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-340-430, an interim action is a remedial action that is technically necessary to reduce a threat to human health or the environment by eliminating or substantially reducing one or more pathways for exposure to hazardous substance, that corrects a problem that may become substantially worse or cost substantially more to address if the remedial action is delayed, or that is needed to provide for completion of a site hazard assessment, remedial investigation/feasibility study, or design of a cleanup action plan. The pipelines present an ongoing risk of a release that may become substantially worse or cost substantially more to address if the remedial action is delayed. The removal of the pipelines will eliminate or substantially reduce one or more pathways for exposure to a hazardous substance.

Based on these circumstances, Ecology has determined that an interim action is warranted under WAC 173-340-430.

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Location of Proposal:

Port of Longview (Berths 1 and 2) in Longview, WA
Cowlitz County
(Township 7 North, Range 2 West, Section 8)

Applicant/Proponent:

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SEPA Determination:

After review of the completed environmental checklist, Interim Action Work Plan, and other supporting documents, Ecology has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 43.21C.030(2)(c). The environmental checklist and Interim Action Work Plan are attached to this determination. Additional information regarding the site and supporting documentation is available at:

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=9152>

This determination is based on the following findings and conclusions:

Ecology has reviewed the proposed interim action and determined that conducting the work will be protective of human health and the environment. The project proponents will be conducting the work in compliance with the Agreed Order and in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

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Comment Period:

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and -268(1); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 30 days from November 25, 2018.

The comment period for this DNS will be performed in conjunction with the comment period for the Port of Longview TPH Site Agreed Order No. DE 15907 and the corresponding Interim Action Work Plan, in accordance with WAC 173-340-530(8) and WAC 173-340-430(6), respectively. The comment period will end at 5:00pm on December 26, 2018. Written comments must be postmarked or emailed no later than this date and should be provided to the Agency Contact provided above.

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