

CITY OF PORT TOWNSEND NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PENDING SEPA THRESHOLD DETERMINATION

Proposal: Discovery Road Project - The City proposes to reconstruct Discovery Road from Rainier Street to Sheridan Street by adding curbs, enhanced crosswalks, stormwater drainage and treatment, lighting, and intersection improvements. On the north side of Discovery Road, the project will provide sidewalk and curb ramps. The City received a Ped/Bike Grant from WSDOT and federal funds from Jefferson County to construct a two-way bikeway, sidewalk, curb ramps, pedestrian activated flashing beacons, drainage, and pavement marking improvements on the south side of Discovery Road to improve non-motorized safety. The TIB grant will allow for much needed roadway improvements such as minor roadway realignment to create a complete street project. A Critical Areas permit is required due to the presence of jurisdictional wetlands within the project area.

Applicant: City of Port Townsend, Engineering Department

File Reference: SEPA File LUP21-083 and Critical Areas File LUP21-084

Dates: Applications submitted: November 4, 2021

Determined Complete: December 21, 2021
Notice of Application: December 29, 2021

Location: That 0.82-mile section of Discovery Road within the City of Port Townsend, from Rainier Street to Sheridan Street. The project lies within Sections 9 and 10, Township 30 North, Range 1 West.

The proposal is subject to environmental review and threshold determination under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and the City's SEPA implementing regulations of PTMC 19.04. Special studies or plans supplied with the application include: 30% Construction Drawings, NEPA Categorical Exclusion, site plan and Wetland Report and Mitigation Plan. In accordance with WAC 197-11-610(2), the NEPA Categorical Exclusion has been accepted in lieu of preparing an environmental checklist for the proposal.

Other permits to the extent known by the City include: US Army Corp Section 404 review, Ecology Section 401 certification



Comment Period: Any person has the right to submit comments, receive notice of and participate in any hearings, request a copy of the application and the decision once made, and appeal the decision (Note: No hearing is required unless the permit or SEPA determination is appealed). **The initial 20-day comment period expires January 18, 2022.** Written comments must be received by the Development Services Department no later than 4:00 p.m., same date.

Consistency with applicable City plans and regulations: A statement of consistency with the Critical Area provisions (PTMC 19.05), Engineering Design Standards, and the City's Comprehensive Plan will be made following review of the application. A final decision on the application will be made within 120 days of the date of the Determination of Completeness.

Location of Documents Available for Review: Supporting documents are available for viewing on the project page https://cityofpt.us/publicworks/project/discovery-road-bikeway-and-sidewalk-project. Complete land use files are available at the Development Services Department. Appointments are encouraged.

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