

# DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE



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## **Description of proposal:**

The proposed work will expand the Steilacoom Ferry Landing by upgrading an existing idle ferry moorage to an operable ferry slip with an approach trestle and pedestrian access. The elements of the upgraded second slip will include a new bridge approach trestle, pedestrian trestle and transfer span, wingwalls, dolphins, and associated mechanical and utility systems including electrical, water and sewer work.

## **Proponent:**

Pierce County Public Works  
4301 South Pine Street Suite 600  
Tacoma WA 98409

Christina Richards, Transportation Division, agent

## **Location of proposal, including street address, if any:**

The existing Pierce County Ferry landing at the intersection of Union Avenue and Commercial Street in Steilacoom, WA  
56 Union Avenue, Steilacoom WA 89388

## **Lead agency:**

Town of Steilacoom

## **Findings:**

1. The following documents have been prepared for this project:  
Endangered Species Act Formal Consultation and Magnuson-Stevens Essential Fish Habitat Consultation by National Marine Fisheries Service, August 2012 (NMFS Opinion)  
Biological Assessment by Herrera Environmental Consultants, Inc., June 2014 (Herrera Assessment)
2. The NMFS Opinion concludes that the project is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of Puget Sound steelhead, Puget Sound Chinook salmon, Georgia Basin Bocaccio, Georgia Basin canary rockfish, Georgia Basin yelloweye rockfish, and Puget Sound Chinook salmon critical habitat and Southern Resident Killer Whale critical habitat.
3. The NMFS Opinion includes an incidental take statement under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act. The incidental take statement includes reasonable and prudent measures to be taken to minimize incidental take caused by this action.

4. The Herrera Assessment determined that three species listed under the Endangered Species Act had habitat within the immediate vicinity of the project; the Costal-Puget Sound bull trout (threatened), the marbled murrelet (threatened) and the yellow-billed cuckoo (proposed threatened).

5. The Herrera Assessment concludes that the greatest impact on the ESA listed species is noise associated with construction of the project.

6. The Herrera Assessment includes a hydroacoustic and marbled murrelet monitoring plans.

7. This project will require permits from the United States Army Corps of Engineers under section 404 of the Clean Water Act, which regulates discharge of material into the waters of the United States and section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act, which regulates construction of structures or work in navigable waters.

8. This project will require a water quality certification under section 401 of the Clean Water Act by the Washington Department of Ecology.

9. This project will require a Hydraulic Project Approval by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife.

10. This project will require a Critical Areas Permit and Shorelines Permit by the Town of Steilacoom.

**Conclusions:**

1. The project proponent has consulted with the appropriate Federal agencies under the Endangered Species Act.

2. This project will be regulated by the Federal Clean Water Act, the Federal Rivers and Harbors Act, the Washington State Hydraulic Code, the Steilacoom Critical Areas Ordinance and the Steilacoom Shoreline Master Program.

Based on the foregoing, the responsible official makes the following determination.

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse environmental 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 at 1030 Roe Street, Steilacoom, Washington.

□ There is no comment period for this DNS.

This DNS is issued after using the optional DNS process in WAC 197-11-355. There is no further comment period.

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

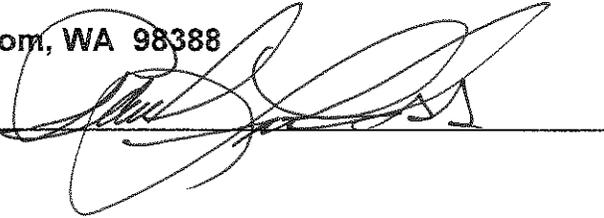
**Responsible official:** Paul Loveless

**Position/Title:** Town Administrator

**Phone:** 253-581-1912

**Address:** 1030 Roe Street, Steilacoom, WA 98388

**Date** 10/22/2015 **Signature**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Paul Loveless', written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)  
**ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST**  
WAC 197-11-960

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE 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, contact the Pierce County Planning and Land Services Department for assistance.

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. Refer to the following instructions to assist in completing this checklist.

**THE ORIGINAL SIGNED CHECKLIST**  
**MUST BE SUBMITTED AT TIME OF APPLICATION**

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)  
**ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST**  
WAC 197-11-960

Name of Proposed Project: Steilacoom Ferry Slip Improvement

Applicant: Pierce County Public Works

Address: 4301 South Pine Street Ste. 600

City/State/Zip: Tacoma, WA 98409

Phone:

Agent: Christina Richards, Transportation Section

Address: 4301 South Pine Street Ste. 600

City/State/Zip: Tacoma, WA 98409

Phone: 253-798-2269

Location of Project: Steilacoom Ferry Landing, Town of Steilacoom

Address:

56 Union Ave

Steilacoom, WA 98388

Section	Quarter	Township	Range
<u>31</u>	<u>3SW</u>	<u>20N</u>	<u>2E</u>

Tax Parcel Number(s): N/A

Date Checklist Prepared:

Agency Requesting Checklist:

### GENERAL INFORMATION

- Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable): Project construction is proposed to begin July 2016.
- Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain. No
- List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal. A Biological Assessment/Habitat Assessment Study, Cultural Resources Assessment, and Joint Aquatic Resource Project Approval application have or will be prepared for this project.
- 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
- List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.
  - USACE Section 404 Nationwide permit
  - USACE Section 10 permit
  - Washington Department of Ecology, 401 Water Quality Certification
  - Critical Areas Application
  - Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife, Hydraulic Project Approval (HPA)
  - Shorelines Permit
- Give a brief, complete description of your proposal, including proposed uses and size of the project.  
The proposed work will expand the Steilacoom Ferry Landing by upgrading an existing idle ferry

moorage to an operable ferry slip with an approach trestle and pedestrian access. The elements of the upgraded second slip will include a new bridge approach trestle, pedestrian trestle and transfer span, wingwalls, dolphins, and associated mechanical and utility systems including electrical, water, and sewer work.

7. Location of proposal and directions to the site. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). The work will be done within the Steilacoom Ferry Landing which is located at the junction of Union Ave. and Commercial Street in the town of Steilacoom.

## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

### 1. EARTH

- a. General description of the site (circle one): flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous; other:  
The proposed site is on the shoreline of the Puget Sound over the water.
- b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?  
The steepest slope on the site is 0 – 1 percent.
- 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.  
The project site is considered mixed sediment/intertidal beach consisting of beach sand and gravelly sand.
- d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.  
Yes, there are small coastal bluffs along the shoreline. However, they are not affected by this project.
- 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.  
There are no proposed grading or filling actions in this project.
- f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.  
There is no chance that erosion will occur as a result of this project as all the structures are within the water column.
- g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?  
There will be a net impact of 2,680 square foot increase in shading of the water column and benthic habitat by new overwater structures. While there will be 120.8 square foot of benthic habitat displacement by structural support, anchoring, and dolphin piles, there will also be 147.5 square foot gain in benthic habitat due to structure removal. This will result in 26.9 square foot increase in benthic habitat.
- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:  
Does not apply.

### 2. AIR

- a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal (i.e., dust, automobile, odors, and

industrial wood smoke) during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities, if known.

**Temporary, minor increases in vehicular emissions and particulate matter may result from construction activities. These levels will return to previous conditions after construction activities are completed.**

- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe. **There are no off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect this proposal.**
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any: **All construction equipment must meet state requirements for emission control. Best Management Practices will be used to minimize airborne dust and dirt.**

### 3. WATER

#### a. Surface Water:

- 1. Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, salt water, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state the stream or river into which it flows. **Puget Sound is within the project area.**
- 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 for this work. **Yes, removal of old moorage and installation of new moorage and access structures will take place within and over the water column of Puget Sound. Please see the attached map and plan sheets.**
- 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 and/or the disposal site. **Pierce County will remove 135 creosote-treated piles supporting the existing moorage and dolphin structures. There will be an estimated 60 ft<sup>3</sup> of backfill or dredge material that will be placed in, or removed from the project area.**
- 4. Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities, if known. **There is no proposed surface water withdrawals or diversions.**
- 5. Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note flood-plain location on the site plan. **The site is within the Puget Sound which is not considered part of the 100-year floodplain.**
- 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. **There are no proposed discharges of waste materials into the Puget Sound.**

#### b. Ground Water:

- 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. **No groundwater will be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes.**
- 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) is/are expected to serve.  
**No waste material will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources.**

c. **Water Runoff (including stormwater):**

1. Describe the source of runoff (including stormwater) 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. **Does not apply.**
2. Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.  
**Yes. In event of an accidental spill during construction or operation, waste materials, such as concrete, could discharge into Puget Sound.**
3. Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.  
**The proposal does not alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site.**

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface water, groundwater, and runoff impacts, if any:  
**Does not apply.**

4. **PLANTS**

- a. Check types of vegetation found on the site and list specific species:

Deciduous tree: aspen; aspen, maple, other:

Evergreen tree: pine; fir, cedar, other:

Shrubs:

Grass

Pasture

Crop or grain

Orchards, vineyards, or other permanent crop

Wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bulrush, skunk cabbage, other:

Water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil; other:

Other types of vegetation: **Macroalgae**

- b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?

**Small amounts of macroalgal plants may be impacted by the removal of the creosote timber pilings and installation of the new dolphins.**

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

**There are no known threatened or endangered plant species near the site.**

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

**Does not apply.**

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

**There are no known noxious weeds or invasive species on or near the site.**

5. **ANIMALS**

- a. Circle any birds or animals that have been observed on or near the site, or that are known to be on or near the site:

Birds: hawk, bald eagle, songbirds, heron, osprey, other:

Mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:

Fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish; other: surf smelt and sand lance,

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

Bull trout (*Salvelinus confluentus*), Western Yellow-Billed Cuckoo (*Coccyzus americanus*), and Marbled murrelet (*Brachyramphus marmoratus marmoratus*)

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

The project site overlaps the designated migration corridor for bull trout, yellow-billed cuckoo, and Pacific herring. Puget Sound and much of western Washington state are part of the Pacific Flyway for migratory birds.

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

A noise attenuation device, such as bubble curtains, will be deployed when the impact pile driving is initiated.

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

None

## 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.

No additional energy will be used once the project is complete.

- 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.

## 7. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

- a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire, explosion, spill, or hazardous waste that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so, describe. Yes. Small amounts of materials likely to be present on the construction site include gasoline and diesel fuels, hydraulic fluids, oils, lubricants, solvents, and other chemical products. A spill of one of these chemicals could potentially occur during construction as a result of either equipment failure or worker error.

There are no anticipated contaminated soils within the construction zone.

Any dangerous wastes encountered during construction will be handled as identified in "Dangerous Waste Rules for Demolition, Construction, and Renovation Wastes" as updated thorough the Washington State Department of Ecology's Hazardous Waste and Toxic Reduction Program.

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

There is no known or possible contamination at the site from past or present uses.

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 the vicinity.

**There are no existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design.**

3. Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the projects development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project. **There are no toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project development or construction.**
4. Describe special emergency services that might be required (for example, chemical spills or explosions). **None.**
5. Propose measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any: **A spill prevention, control, and countermeasure plan to address refueling and any other potential contamination issues will be included in the contract for use as needed during construction.**

b. Noise

1. What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (i.e., traffic, equipment, operation, other)? **The types of noise that exist in the area are typical of a commercial ferry operation with light traffic. This includes ferry boat noise consistent with ferry operation, automobile traffic, and noise associated with pedestrian boat ramps.**
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 (i.e., traffic, construction, operation)? **Impact Pile Driving: In-air noise levels as high as 110 maximum A-weighted decibels (dBA<sub>Lmax</sub>) propagating in an arc as far as 1,150 feet overland and as far as 15,811 feet over water due to the impact pile drivers. Elevated underwater sound pressure levels may be as high as 214 peak decibels (dB<sub>peak</sub>) and extend as far as 64,000 feet from the project site.**
3. Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any: **Underwater noise will be mitigated by a noise attenuation device. Daily construction hours would be limited to Monday through Friday from 6 am to 6 pm, these peak decibels may extend through the entire construction period.**

## 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. **The current use of the project area is as a commercial ferry landing for transportation to and from Anderson Island/Ketron Island/Steilacoom and to and from McNeil Island/Steilacoom. The adjacent sites generally consist of commercial and single family residences. The proposal will not affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties.**
- b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forestlands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forestland 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 forestland tax status will be converted to nonfarm or non-forest use? **The project site has not been used as a working farmland or forestland.**
  1. Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land during normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how? **Does not apply.**

2. Describe any structures on the site. Currently there is one existing ferry slip, a ferry waiting building, the McNeil Corrections Center Building, 2 existing gangways and one floating dock, wingwalls, and dolphins associated with the commercial ferry operations.
  3. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what? The project will remove one existing 3' x 60' gangway with associated steel piling, one wingwall, one 30 creosote treated timbers dolphin, one 37 pile creosote treated timber dolphin, and one 19 creosote treated timber dolphin.
  4. What is the current zoning classification of the site? Commercial shoreline
  5. What is the comprehensive plan designation of the site? Mixed commercial and recreational use
  6. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site? The current shoreline master program designation of the site is Ferry Transportation.
  7. Has any part of the site been classified as critical area by the County? If so, please specify. No.
  8. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project? Does not apply.
  9. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace? There will be no people displaced by this project.
  10. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any: Does not apply.
- c. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any: None.
  - d. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with nearby agricultural and forestlands of long-term commercial significance, if any: Does not apply.

## 9. HOUSING

- a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether it would be high, middle, or low-income housing. There will be no housing units provided by this project.
- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether it would be high, middle, or low-income housing. There will be no housing units eliminated by this project.
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any: Does not apply.

## 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? The tallest height of any proposed structure will be 28 feet above the Mean Low Low Water Mark (MLLW).
- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed? The views in the immediate vicinity would not be altered or obstructed.
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any: None

## 11. LIGHT AND GLARE

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur? **There will be no additional light or glare produced from this proposal.**
- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard, interfere with views, or affect wildlife? **Since there will be no additional light or glare from the finished project, there will be no increase in safety hazards, interference with views, or wildlife affected.**
- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal? **There are no existing off-site sources of light or glare that may affect this proposal.**
- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any: **Not applicable**

## 12. RECREATION

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity? **A boat ramp and floating dock are in the immediate vicinity.**
- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe. **No, the proposed project will not displace any existing recreational uses. The boat ramp and floating dock will remain open during construction.**
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any: **Does not apply.**

## 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. **There are no buildings, structures, or sites located on or near the site that are over 45 years old list in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers located on or near the site.**
- 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, or are there any artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any profession studies conducted at the site to identify such resources. **There are no landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation in the project area.**
- 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 (DAHP), archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc. **A Cultural Resources Assessment was performed by Cultural Resources Consulting, Inc for the NEPA document submitted on November 25, 2009. The assessment found no historic sites and no aboveground evidence of archaeological sites within the project area.**
- 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. **Does not apply.**

## 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. **The public street serving this site is Union Street in Steilacoom.**
- b. Is site currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop? **Yes, the site is located at the ferry terminal in Steilacoom.**
- c. How many parking spaces would the complete project have? How many would the project eliminate? **The project will not create or eliminate any parking spaces.**
- 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). **The project is an improvement to the existing terminal ferry system. There will be no additional improvements to the surrounding roads or streets.**
- e. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe. **Yes. The project will occur at the Steilacoom Ferry Terminal located on the Puget Sound.**
- 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? **There will be no additional vehicular trips per day generated by the completed project or proposal.**
- 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. **The proposal will not interfere with, affect, or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area.**
- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any: **Does not apply.**

## 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, others)? If so, generally describe: **No, the project will not increase the need for public services.**
- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any. **Does not apply.**

## 16. UTILITIES

- a. Identify existing utilities by name including: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system; other:  
**Existing utilities include:**  
**Power (Town of Steilacoom);**  
**Water (Town of Steilacoom);**  
**Sewer (Town of Steilacoom);**  
**Phone (Century Link); and**

Garbage (Waste Connections).

- b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general utility construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

There are no additional utilities that are proposed for the project. All existing utilities within the project limits may be adjusted or relocated to accommodate the proposed improvements.

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: 

NAME OF SIGNEE: Brian Johnston

POSITION AND AGENCY/ORGANIZATION: Environmental Resources Supervisor  
Perce County Public Works and Utilities

DATE SUBMITTED: 4/29/2015



Town Staff Notes to SEPA Checklist  
Pierce County Steilacoom Ferry Slip Improvement

Section 8, Land and Shoreline Use

Question 5, page 8. The comprehensive plan designation is Commercial/Recreation

Question 6, page 8. The shoreline designation is Aquatic

Question 7, page 8. The County may not have designated the area as a critical area, but the Town has. It is a Fish and Wildlife habitat area on the critical areas map, and a critical saltwater habitat under the Shoreline Master Program

October 28, 2015