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STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

Date of Issuance: October 28, 2022

Lead Agency: Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

Agency Contact: Kira Swanson, Environmental Planner
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Description of Proposal:

The Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission proposes to transfer approximately 2.9 acres of Sontag Park to the Nine Mile Falls Elementary School. The School District would like to receive ownership of the portion of the park containing the playground, baseball field, and irrigated turf to expand Nine Mile Falls Elementary School and provide additional school programming. The School District will continue to make the grounds and amenities of Sontag Park available to the community at an equal or greater level of service than was provided by the County.

Proponent: Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

Location of Proposal: The property proposed for transfer is located in an area known as Sontag Park which is part of Riverside State Park. The 2.9 acre property is located in Township 26 North, Range 42 East, in Section 6 on parcel numbers 26061.9017 and 26064.9026

The lead agency (Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission) 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 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 at: <http://bit.ly/ParksSEPA>

This determination is based on the following findings and conclusions:

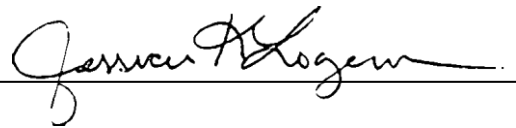
1. No clearing, grading or construction activities are involved in the proposed land transfer.
2. There will be no change in impervious surface as a result of the proposed land transfer.
3. The proposed land transfer will enable the School District to expand Nine Mile Falls Elementary School and provide additional school programming opportunities.
4. No impacts to recreation are anticipated. The School District will continue to make the grounds and amenities of Sontag Park available to the community at an equal or greater level of service than was provided by the County.
5. No ground disturbance will occur as a result of the proposed land transfer.
6. The property will be transferred with a deed restriction that requires the Grantee to accept and be bound by Governor's Executive Order 21-02 and/or other cultural compliance laws.

- This DNS is issued under 197-11-340 (2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted to the Responsible Official below by **November 14, 2022** or they may not be considered.

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Date: October 28, 2022

Signature: _____



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There is no agency SEPA appeal; however all comments are welcome and will be thoroughly considered.