



Department of Natural Resources and Parks • Wastewater Treatment Division
 Environmental Services • 201 S Jackson Street, MS KSC-NR-5500
 Seattle, WA 98104-3855

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

TITLE OF PROPOSAL: Loop® Compost Pilot Project at South Treatment Plant

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: The King County Wastewater Treatment Division proposes to construct a temporary pilot composting system at King County's South Treatment Plant (STP) which will further process Class B Loop® biosolids – a product of the wastewater treatment process – into a Class A Loop compost. The regulatory designation of Class A biosolids allows for unrestricted use as a soil amendment. The composting system will be built and operated within the boundaries of the County's South Treatment Plant in Renton, WA. The project will operate for three to five years, after which it will be decommissioned.

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL, INCLUDING STREET ADDRESS, IF ANY: The proposed project will be located in Renton WA, at 1200 Monster Road SW, within the existing STP site.

SEPA Responsible Official:

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Issue Date:

January 15, 2021

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist, the environmental reports listed in Section A.8 of the environmental checklist, and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

- This Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340 (2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 18 days from the issue date. **Comments must be submitted by February 1, 2021.** Submit comments to Katherine Fischer, Supervisor, Environmental Services, King County Wastewater Treatment Division, 201 S Jackson Street, MS KSC-NR-5500, Seattle, WA 98104-3855. Contact Jacob Sheppard, Environmental Planner, at (206) 477-5395 or jacob.sheppard@kingcounty.gov for questions or information on how to submit comments electronically.
- The King County Wastewater Treatment Division recently submitted a permit application for this project to the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, which provides the opportunity for appeal. Therefore, there is no administrative appeal of this DNS pursuant to RCW 43.21C.075, WAC 197-11-680, KCC 20.44.120, and King County Public Rule 7-4-1. The public rule may be viewed at <http://www.kingcounty.gov/about/policies/rules/utilities/put741pr.aspx> or contact Jacob Sheppard, Environmental Planner, at (206) 477-5395 or jacob.sheppard@kingcounty.gov to obtain a copy of the rule.

[Statutory authority: RCW 43.21C.110. 84-05-020 (Order DE 83-39), §197-11-970, filed 2/10/84, effective 4/4/84.]