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PROGRAMMATIC DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS) and INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

Description of Proposal: The 2024 Comprehensive Plan, adopted in accordance with the Washington State Growth Management Act, chapter 36.70A RCW, amended the Comprehensive Plan and Land Use Map, Capital Facilities Plans, Title 16 (Land Division and Development), Title 17 (Zoning), and Title 18 (Environment). During the course of the Comprehensive Plan's development it was determined that developing a Rural and Resource Lands chapter, and associated elements, would be deferred until 2025. The Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution 207-2024 Providing for the Annual Review and Potential Amendment of the Final 2025 DCD Long Range Docket and Workplan, amending the Kitsap County Comprehensive Plan, Land Use Map, Zoning Map and Associated Development Regulations. The docket was further modified by Resolution 117-2025 Amending Resolution 207-2024 to Modify the Kitsap County Workplan and Final Document.

The scope of the rural update to the Comprehensive Plan includes introducing a Rural and Resource Lands chapter and reviewing three rural Land Use Reclassification Requests that were deferred from the 2024 Comprehensive Plan Update; evaluating agriculture and related code development, such as equine boarding; evaluating remnant Mineral Resource Overlay parcels; and considering implementing code for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan including improving childcare access; protecting manufactured/mobile home parks; and evaluating KCC 21.08 Legislative Action Procedures as necessary. As it did for the 2024 Comprehensive Plan, DCD continues to maintain extensive outreach for the Year of the Rural.

Proponent: Kitsap County Dept of Community Development

Lead Agency: Kitsap County

Location of proposal: Kitsap County jurisdictional lands

The lead agency for this programmatic proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment, as the suggested amendments to the Comp Plan and associated development code will act to better guide rural development and reduce barriers, while the requested Land Use Reclassification Requests will evaluate rural employment opportunities. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed programmatic environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This programmatic DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and is not appealable; the lead agency will not further act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted by September 16, 2025.

This SEPA DNS also specifically incorporates, by reference, the DEIS and FEIS adopted with the 2024 Comprehensive Plan by Ordinance 637-2024 Relating to Growth Management, Amending the Comprehensive Plan and Map, Capital Facilities Plan, and amendments to Title 16 (Land Division and Development), Title 17 (Zoning), and Title 18 (Environment).

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