SEPA¹ Environmental Checklist

Purpose of checklist

Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization, or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

Instructions for applicants

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. **You may use "not applicable" or "does not apply" only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown.** You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

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. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Instructions for lead agencies

Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

Use of checklist for nonproject proposals

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B, plus the Supplemental Sheet for Nonproject Actions (Part D). Please completely answer all questions that apply and note that the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proponent," and "affected geographic area," respectively. The lead agency may exclude (for non-projects) questions in "Part B: Environmental Elements" that do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

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A.Background

Find help answering background questions²

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

Wastewater Treatment System Demolition

2. Name of applicant:

Sonoco US Paper

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

Tom Blake

1802 Steele Ave.

Sumner WA

253-202-5495

or

Tim Trumbull

1 N. Second St.

Hartsville, SC 29550

843-309-7418

4. Date checklist prepared: Feb 1, 2025

5. Agency requesting checklist: City of Sumner

6. Proposed timing of schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

Demolition of the wastewater treatment system (WWT) is expected to begin as soon as permits are issued. It is expected to be completed within 30 days.

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.

There are no plans for future additions, expansion or other activity related to the demolition of the WWT. Sonoco plans to sell the mill property.

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

No environmental information will be prepared directly related to this proposal. The WWT currently operates under an NPDES permit issued by Ecology. When the treatment plant is demolished, the permit (WA0000884) will be withdrawn.

 $^{^2\} https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-A-Background$

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.

The WWT is covered by NPDES permit WA0000884 which will be withdrawn upon completion of the demolition.

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

Sonoco US Paper Mill is seeking a permit from the City of Sumner to demolish the existing waste water treatment system. Permit BLD-2024-0101

11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)

The wastewater treatment facility consists of an aeration basin, primary and secondary clarifiers and associated piping and equipment. The concrete clarifiers will be demolished and crushed for use as fill on site. The aeration basin is elevated within a berm. The berm will be used as fill for the aeration basin. All steel and metal will be sent for recycling. The WWT covers approximately 1 acre at the northwest corner of the property at 1802 Steele Ave. and is bordered on the west by Fryar Ave. The facility is enclosed by a fence.

12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist.

The area of demolition is located at the northwest corner of our property at 1802 Steele Ave. Sumner WA and is indicated by the hashed area on the attached map. The lat/long is 47.21146, -122.24155. The facility is located in Pierce County.

B.Environmental Elements

1. Earth Find help answering earth questions³

a. General description of the site:

The site is generally flat with a gentle slope to the west and north.

Circle or highlight one (Flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other:

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³ https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-earth

- b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?
- 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 type of soil is not known.

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

There are no indications of unstable soils on site.

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.

The aeration basin will need to be filled in. The basin is currently comprised of an elevated berm around the basin that creates much of the basin. The surface area of the aeration basin approximately 11,000 square feet. The berms/walls of the basin will be used to fill the basin. The total area to be graded is less than 1 acre.

f. Could erosion occur because of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.

Erosion would not be expected due to construction or after achieving a vegetative top cover.

g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?

All of the area will be covered with grass seed (hydroseed).

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any.

The facility will be graded so that stormwater will flow towards the swale to the north east of the aeration basin or east over land towards the ditch along Fryar Ave. All stormwater will eventually flow through outfall 004 to the City of Sumner storm water system.

2. Air

Find help answering air questions⁴

a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.

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⁴ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-Air

No new air emissions are expected.

- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe. No sources of emissions or odors are expected.
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:

3. Water

Find help answering water questions⁵

- a. Surface: Find help answering surface water questions⁶
 - 1. Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.

The White/Stuck River runs adjacent to Fryar Ave to the west of the property.

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.

The site work is greater than 200 feet from the White River.

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.

No fill or dredge material is expected to utilized.

4. Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

The project will not require surface water withdrawals or diversions.

5. Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.

The project lies outside 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.

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⁶ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklistguidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmentalelements-Surface-water

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⁵ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-

The proposal does not involve dischare to surface waters.

b. Ground:

Find help answering ground water questions⁷

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 a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

No groundwater will be withdrawn.

2. Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (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) are expected to serve.

There will be no waste material from septic tanks.

c. Water Runoff (including stormwater):

1. Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) 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.

Storm water will be routed to an existing swale and an existing ditch that will discharge to the city of Sumner Stormwater system.

2. Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

Waste materials have been removed from the site.

3. Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

The stormwater drainage on site all discharged to Sonoco Outfall 004. After demolition of the WWT the stormwater will continue to be routed through Outfall 004 to the city.

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

The stormwater on site will continue to be routed through a grassy ditch or the grassy swale prior to discharge to Outfall 004.

4. Plants Find help answering plants questions

a. Check the types of vegetation found on the site:

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⁷ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmental-elements-Groundwater

- □ deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other
- evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other
- □ shrubs
- 🛛 grass
- pasture
- □ crop or grain
- □ orchards, vineyards, or other permanent crops.
- uttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other
- □ water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other
- □ other types of vegetation

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

The grass on the aeration basin berms will be removed and replanted once the aeration basin has been filled in.

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

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

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

The area will be hydroseeded to prevent future erosion.

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

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

5. Animals

Find help answering animal questions⁸

a. List any birds and other animals that have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site. There are no birds or animals observed near the site.

Examples include:

- Birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:
- Mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:
- Fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other:

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⁸ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-5-Animals

- **b.** List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site. None known.
- c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain. None
- d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any. None
- e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site. None

6. Energy and natural resources

Find help answering energy and natural resource questions⁹

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.

The completed project will have no energy needs, reducing the sites energy impact.

b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.

The site will not affect any energy use.

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.

The site will be returned to a grassy expanse.

7. Environmental health

Health Find help with answering environmental health questions¹⁰

- a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur because of this proposal? If so, describe.
 - 1. Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.

The Washington Department of Ecology is proposing to find Sonoco liable under the Model Toxics Control Act for the following past releases to areas adjacent to the proposed WWT site demolition:

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⁹ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-6-Energy-natural-resou ¹⁰ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-7-Environmental-health

On December 10, 1996 sonoco released 355 gallons of #5 fuel oil near the primary clarifier pump feed station.

On November 25th 1996 Sonoco reported a spill of about 20 gallons of diesel fuel at the southwest corner of the weigh scales on May 1st 1996.

The paper mill has been in operation since 1915. Prior to RCRA, EPCRA and MTCA. Prior to these regulations, it is unclear if historical releases were reported or documented.

 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 in the vicinity.

Transmission pipelines are not expected to be in the project area. A utilities locator will be called to assess the area. The supply of natural gas to the facility has been capped by PG&E.

 Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project.

A 500 gallon diesel tank (in containment) and 1000 gallon LPG tank are present Southeast of the proposed WWT demolition area.

4. Describe special emergency services that might be required.

None required

 Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any. None proposed

b. Noise

1. What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?

The demolition will involve heavy earth moving and demolition equipment and will likely involve jack hammering. The project is not expected to last 2 weeks.

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 (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site)?

Demolition activities will likely occur during daylight hours and will be limited to the demolition of the WWT.

3. Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

No measures will be taken to reduce noise or odors.

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8. Land and shoreline use

Find help answering land and shoreline use questions¹¹

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 site is bordered by Fryar Ave. on the west and north and parking lots for Van Dyke, Inc and Greensheen Paint to the East.

- b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses because of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use?
 - 1. Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how?

The site has been a paper mill since 1915. No farm or forest is affected by this project.

c. Describe any structures on the site.

The site consists of 2 circular concrete wastewater clarifiers (primary and secondary) as well as an earthen aeration basin to be razed. The remainder of the paper mill will remain.

d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?

The site consists of 2 circular concrete wastewater clarifiers (primary and secondary) as well as an earthen aeration basin to be razed.

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

Heavy Industrial

f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?

Heavy Industrial

- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site? Not applicable
- h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.

No

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?

¹¹ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-8-Land-shoreline-use

No people will reside in the completed project.

- j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace? No people will be displaced by the project.
- k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any.

Not proposed.

I. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any.

The facility will not affect the heavy industrial land use.

m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:

No agricultural of forest land impacted.

9. Housing

Find help answering housing questions¹²

a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

No Housing units provided

b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

No Housing unit eliminated,

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:

Project will have no impact on housing.

10. Aesthetics

Find help answering aesthetics questions¹³

a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?

The facility will be reduced to grade.

b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?

Project will not alter or obstruct any views.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:

No measures to control aesthetic impacts planned.

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¹² https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-9-Housing
¹³ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-10-Aesthetics

11. Light and glare

Find help answering light and glare questions¹⁴

a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?

No lights will be installed as part of the project.

b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?

No lights will be installed.

c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?

The parking lots east of the facility are lighted. The project will have no affect on their lot.

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:

The project will have no affect on light or glare.

12. Recreation

Find help answering recreation questions

a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

The project is in an area zoned for heavy industrial use and will have no affect on recreational activities, to include walking on the sidewalk adjacent to Fryar Ave.

b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.

The project is on industrial property that has never been used for recreational uses.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

No measures proposed to affect recreation.

13. Historic and cultural preservation

Find help answering historic and cultural preservation questions¹⁵

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? If so, specifically describe.

The mill is currently older than 45 years old but is not listed on the national state or local preservation registers and will not be affected. The Wastewater treatment system will be demolished.

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¹⁴ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-11-Light-glare
¹⁵ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-13-Historic-cultural-plane

b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources.

There are no artifacts of cultural importance in the wastewater treatment system.

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, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc.

The Washington Department of Archeology and Historic Preservation WISAARD map was used to search for historic sites in Pierce Co.

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.

No measures planned.

14. Transportation

Find help with answering transportation questions¹⁶

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 site is on private property adjacent to Fryar Ave. and is not expected to have any impact on the existing street system.

b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?

The site is not accessible by public transit.

c. 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 site will not require improvements to existing roads or streets.

d. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.

The project will not use water, rail or air transportation.

e. 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

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¹⁶ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-14-Transportation

the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?

No vehicular trips will be generated per day by the completed project.

f. 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 project will not interfere, affect or be affected by movement of agricultural and forest products on road or streets in the area.

g. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

No measures planned.

15. Public services

Find help answering public service questions¹⁷

a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.

The project will result in a grassy field, no needing public services.

b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.

The project in total is a measure to reduce impacts on public services.

16. Utilities

Find help answering utilities questions¹⁸

a. Circle utilities currently available at the site: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other:

The electric and gas to the wastewater treatment system has been removed.

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

The finished project will have no utility requirements.

C.Signature

Find help about who should sign¹⁹

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.

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¹⁷ https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklistguidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-15-public-services ¹⁸ https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-

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¹⁹ https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-C-Signature

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Type name of signee:

Position and agency/organization: Sonoco Environmental Principal

Date submitted: 2/13/2025

D.Supplemental sheet for nonproject actions

Find help for the nonproject actions worksheet²⁰ **Do not** use this section for project actions.

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

- 1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?
 - Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:
- 2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?
 - Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:
- 3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?

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- Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:
- 4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection, such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?
 - Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:
- 5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?
 - Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:
- 6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?
 - Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:
- 7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

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