Federal Aid Project Number: IMD-STPUL-2004(037)  Route: SR 524/I-5 Crossing  Date: 9/12/2014  Intent of Submittal:  

Agency: City of Lynnwood  Federal Program Title:  

Project Title:  

Poplar Way Bridge Extension Project

Beginning MP:  Ending MP:  Miles:  Township(s): 27N
Range(s): 04E  Section(s): 15 and 22  County: Snohomish

Part 1 - Project Description

The City of Lynnwood proposes to construct a new multi-modal roadway over I-5. Major elements of the Poplar Way Extension Bridge project will include a new multi-lane bridge structure, including pedestrian and bicycle facilities, over I-5, intersection modifications and grade adjustments to accommodate tie-in to existing streets on either side of the freeway, and widening portions of Poplar Way, 196th Street SW, Alderwood Mall Boulevard, and 33rd Avenue W. The City of Lynnwood has been planning for their City Center and studying traffic issues related to access to and circulation within this important area. The Poplar Way Extension Bridge is a key transportation improvement identified within the “Interstate 5 (I-5) to Lynnwood City Center Access Study,” developed by the City in cooperation with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), FHWA, and Snohomish County. The City is now moving forward with the design for the bridge and associated street improvements.

The project will also accommodate the Interurban Trail, which runs along Alderwood Mall Boulevard on the west/northwest side of I-5. This trail is a regional, multi-use, paved facility that connects communities from Shoreline to Everett. To accommodate the trail, a three-sided concrete box structure will be provided to enclose a portion of the trail and to lower the trail profile to cross under the new bridge.

Part 2 - Environmental Classification

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NEPA Approval Signatures

Local Agency Approving Authority

Regional Local Programs Engineer

Highways and Local Programs Environmental Engineer

Federal Highway Administration

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Telephone (Include area code): (425) 322 0251
E-mail address: jwalker@perteet.com
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### Part 4 - Environmental Considerations

Will the project involve work in or affect any of the following? Identify proposed mitigation. Attach additional pages or supplemental information if necessary.

1. **Air Quality** - Identify any anticipated air quality issues.
   - Is the project included in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan? [ ] Yes [ ] No
   - If Yes, date Metropolitan Transportation Plan was adopted: 5/20/11
   - Is the project located in an Air Quality Non-Attainment Area or Maintenance Area for carbon monoxide, ozone or PM 10? [ ] Yes [ ] No
   - Is the project exempt from Air Quality conformity requirements? [ ] Yes [ ] No
   - If Yes, identify exemption – please refer to Appendix H in the ECS Guidebook for a list of exemptions.

2. **Critical/Sensitive Areas** – Identify any known Critical or Sensitive Areas as designated by local Growth Management Act ordinances.
   - a. Is this project within: an aquifer recharge area [ ] Yes [ ] No
      - a wellhead protection area [ ] Yes [ ] No
      - a sole source aquifer [ ] Yes [ ] No
      - If located within a sole source aquifer, is the project exempt from EPA approval? [ ] Yes [ ] No
      - If Yes, please list exemption:__________________________________________________________________________________________________________
      - If No, date of EPA approval:__________________________________________________________________________________________________________
   - b. Is this project located in a Geologically Hazardous Area? [ ] Yes [ ] No
      - If yes, please describe:____________________________________________________________________________________________________________
   - c. Will this project impact Species/Habitat other than ESA listed species? [ ] Yes [ ] No
      - Explain your answer.
      - *See attached No-Effect Letter. The mapped local species distribution includes Threatened, Endangered, and Potentially Threatened species reported to occur in this local area; however, no suitable habitat exists within the project area. No in-water work will occur as part of this project, and stormwater generated by the completed project will be treated before entering any aquatic areas.*
      - Is this project within Bald Eagle nesting territories, winter concentration areas or communal roosts? [ ] Yes [ ] No
Will blasting, pile driving, concrete saw cutting, rock drilling or rock scaling activities occur within one mile of a Bald Eagle nesting area? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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### Part 4 - Environmental Considerations (continued)

1. **Wetlands**
   - Are wetlands present within the project area? ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, estimate the impact in acres: ______
   - Please attach a copy of the proposed mitigation plan.

2. **Cultural Resources/Historic Structures**
   - Identify any historic, archaeological or cultural resources present within the project's Area of Potential Effects.
   - Does the project fit into any of the exempt types of projects listed in Appendix C of the ECS Guidebook? ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, note exemptions below.
   - See attached APE Technical Memo.
   - If No: Date of DAHP concurrence: ____________________________
   - Date of Tribal consultation(s) (if applicable): ____________________________
   - Adverse effects on cultural/historic resources? ☐ Yes ☒ No
   - If Yes, date of approved Section 106 MOA: ____________________________

3. **Floodplains and Floodways**
   - Is the project located in a 100-year floodplain? ☒ Yes ☐ No
   - If Yes, is the project located within a 100-year floodway? ☒ Yes ☐ No
   - Will the project impact a 100-year floodplain? ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes, describe impacts.

4. **Hazardous and Problem Waste**
   - Identify potential sources and type(s).
   - Does the project require excavation below the existing ground surface? ☒ Yes ☐ No
   - Is this site located in an undeveloped area (i.e. no buildings, parking or storage areas or agriculture (other than grazing) based on historic research? ☐ Yes ☒ No
   - Is the project located within a one-mile radius of a site on a Confirmed or Suspected Contaminated Sites List (CSCSL) maintained by the Department of Ecology? ☒ Yes ☐ No
   - Is this project located within a 1¾-mile radius of a site or sites listed on any of the following Department of Ecology databases? ☒ Yes ☐ No If Yes, check the appropriate boxes below.
     - ☒ Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP)
     - ☒ Underground Storage Tank (UST)
     - ☐ Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST)
   - Has site reconnaissance (windshield survey) been performed? ☒ Yes ☐ No
   - If so identify any properties not identified in the database search that may affect the project (name, address and property use).
   - None.

   Based on the information above and project specific activities, is there a potential for the project to generate contaminated soils or groundwater? ☐ Yes ☒ No

   Please explain:
   - See attached Phase 1 Environmental Assessment and Geology/Soils Report.

If you responded Yes to any of the above questions, contact your Region LPE for assistance before continuing with this form.
6. **Noise**

Does the project involve constructing a new roadway?  ☒ Yes  ☐ No

Is there a change in the vertical or horizontal alignment of the existing roadway?  ☒ Yes  ☐ No

Does the project increase the number of through traffic lanes on an existing roadway?  ☒ Yes  ☐ No

Is there a change in the topography?  ☒ Yes  ☐ No

Are there auxiliary lanes extending 1-½ miles or longer being constructed as part of this project?  ☐ Yes  ☒ No

If you answered Yes to any of the preceding questions, identify and describe any potential noise receptors within the project area and subsequent impacts to those noise receptors. Please attach a copy of the noise analysis if required.

If impacts are identified, describe proposed mitigation measures.

*See attached Noise Memorandum.*

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7. **Parks, Recreation Areas, Wildlife Refuges, Historic Properties, Wild and Scenic Rivers, Scenic Byways and 4(f)/6(f) resources**

a. Please identify any 4(f) properties within the project limits and the areas of impacts.

*Lynnwood's Heritage Park is located southeast of the intersection of Poplar Way and Alderwood Mall Parkway. This park is home to several relocated historical buildings. Improvements to this intersection are likely. However, no improvements will impact the park access or the buildings. No impacts to the park (or park access) are proposed. Review of the RCO usage also does not indicate any RCO funding has been obligated to this park.*

*The interurban trail occurs within the project area and the trail will be modified as part of the project. A technical memo outlining the 4(f) considerations of the trail is attached herein, which is not understood to be a 4(f) resource since it is a regional non-motorized transportation corridor.*

b. Please identify any 6(f) properties within the project limits and areas of impacts.

*None.*

c. Please list any Wild and Scenic Rivers and Scenic Byways within the project limits.

*None.*
8. **Resource Lands**—Identify any of the following resource lands within 300 feet of the project limits and those otherwise impacted by the project.
   a. Agricultural lands □ Yes ☒ No If Yes, please describe all impacts.

   If present, is the resource considered to be unique and prime farmland? □ Yes ☒ No
   If Yes, date of project review by Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS): ____________________

   b. Forest/Timber □ Yes ☒ No If Yes, please describe all impacts.

   c. Mineral □ Yes ☒ No If Yes, please describe all impacts.

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**Part 4 - Environmental Considerations (continued)**

9. **Rivers, Streams (continuous or intermittent) or Tidal Waters**
   a. Identify all waterbodies within 300 feet of the project limits or that will otherwise be impacted.
      Fisheries WA Stream No.: ____________________ Ecology 303d Report No.: ____________________
      (if known) Reason for 303d Listing: ____________________
      Date of Report: ____________________

      Waterbody common name: **Golde Creek occurs approximately 500 feet to the east and Poplar Creek occurs approximately 750 feet to the southwest.**

   b. Identify stream crossing structures by type.
      None.

   c. Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) No. and name: WRIA 8, Cedar-Sammamish

10. **Tribal Lands**—Identify whether the project will impact any Tribal lands, including reservation, trust and fee lands.
    None.

11. **Visual Quality**
    Will the project impact roadside classification or visual aspects such as aesthetics, light, glare or night sky? ☒ Yes □ No If Yes, please describe all impacts.

    See attached Visual Quality Report.
12. Water Quality/Stormwater
Has the NPDES municipal general permit been issued for this WRIA? ☒ Yes ☐ No
Amount of existing impervious surface within the project limits: **225,878 SF**
Net new impervious surface to be created as a result of this project: **56,987 SF**
Will this project’s proposed stormwater treatment facility be consistent with the guidelines provided by either WSDOT’s HRM, DOE’s western Washington stormwater manual or a local agency equivalent manual? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If No, explain proposed water quality/quantity treatment for the new and any existing impervious surface associated with the proposed project.

*See attached Hydraulic Report.*

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**Part 4 - Environmental Considerations (continued)**

13. Commitments
   a. Environmental Commitments
      • Describe existing environmental commitments that may affect or be affected by the project – if any.

      *There are no existing environmental commitments that may affect or be affected by the project. No impacts to Heritage Park (or park access) will occur.*

   b. Long-Term Maintenance Commitments
      • Identify the agency and/or department responsible for implementing maintenance commitments associated with this project.

      *The City of Lynnwood is committed to the maintenance of public city streets; WSDOT is committed to the maintenance of I-5, SR524, and Poplar Way within WSDOT Limited Access.*

14. Environmental Justice
   Does the project meet any of the exemptions noted in Appendix F of the ECS Guidebook? ☐ Yes ☒ No
   If Yes, please note the exemption and appropriate justification in the space below. Findings should be confirmed using at least two information sources. Please refer to the ECS Guidebook for more information.

   If No, are minority or low-income populations located within the limits of the project’s potential impacts? ☒ Yes ☐ No
   If No, attach appropriate data to support findings. If Yes, describe impacts and attach appropriate supporting documentation.

   *See attached EJ Technical Memorandum.*
**Part 5 - Biological Assessments and EFH Evaluations**

1. **Do any listed species potentially occur in the project’s action area and/or is any designated critical habitat present within the project’s action area?**  
   - Yes  
   - No  
   **Please attach species listings.**

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**Part 5 - Biological Assessment and EFH Evaluations (continued)**

- Gray Wolf potentially suitable habitat?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
- Canada Lynx habitat?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
- Columbia White-tailed Deer potentially suitable habitat?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
- Woodland Caribou habitat?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
- Streaked Horned Lark proposed critical habitat or potentially suitable habitat?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
- Taylor’s Checkerspot proposed critical habitat or potentially suitable habitat?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
- Mazama Pocket Gopher potentially suitable habitat?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
- Eulachon proposed critical habitat or potentially suitable habitat?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
- Rockfish proposed critical habitat or potentially suitable habitat?  
  - Yes  
  - No  
- A mature coniferous or mixed forest stand?  
  - Yes  
  - No

4. **Will the project involve any in-water work?**  
   - Yes  
   - No

5. **Will any construction work occur within 300 feet of any perennial or intermittent waterbody that either supports or drains to waterbody supporting listed fish?**  
   - Yes  
   - No

6. **Will any construction work occur within 300 feet of any wetland, pond or lake that is connected to any permanent or intermittent waterbody?**  
   - Yes  
   - No

7. **Does the action have the potential to directly or indirectly impact designated critical habitat for salmonids (including adjacent riparian zones)?**  
   - Yes  
   - No

8. **Will the project discharge treated or untreated stormwater runoff or utilize water from a waterbody that supports or drains into a listed-fish supporting waterbody?**  
   - Yes  
   - No

9. **Will construction occur outside the existing pavement? If Yes go to 9a.**  
   - Yes  
   - No

9a. **Will construction activities occurring outside the existing pavement involve clearing, grading, filling or modification of vegetation or tree-cutting?**  
   - Yes  
   - No

10. **Are there any Federally listed Threatened or Endangered plant species located within the project limits? If Yes, please attach a list of these plant species within the action area.**  
    - Yes  
    - No
Effect Determinations for ESA and EFH

If each of the questions in the preceding section resulted in a “No” response or if any of the questions were checked “Yes,” but adequate justification can be provided to support a “no effect” determination, then check “No Effect” below. If this checklist cannot be used for Section 7 compliance (i.e., adequate justification cannot be provided or a “may effect” determination is anticipated), a separate biological assessment document is required.

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Analysis for No Effects Determination – If there are any Yes answers to questions in Part 5, additional analysis is required. Please attach additional sheets if needed. See attached No Effect Letter.

Analysis for RRMP ESA 4(d) determination for NMFS

- **Maintenance Category** (check all that apply)
  - 1. Roadway Surface
  - 4. Open Drainage Systems
  - 7. Gravel Shoulders
  - 10. Snow and Ice Control
  - 13. Sewer Systems
  - 2. Enclosed Drainage Systems
  - 5. Watercourses and Streams
  - 8. Street Surface Cleaning
  - 11. Emergency Slide/Washout Repair
  - 14. Water Systems
  - 3. Cleaning Enclosed Drainage Systems
  - 6. Stream Crossings
  - 9. Bridge Maintenance
  - 12. Concrete
  - 15. Vegetation

- **Describe how the project fits in the RRMP 4(d) Program:**

**Part 6 - FHWA Comments**

*Use supplement sheet if additional space is required to complete this section.*
Poplar Way Extension Bridge
Phase 3 NB 33rd & SB 33rd Left-Turn Closure Detour

Legend
- Lynnwood Traffic Signals
- Detour
- City Limits

Source: City of Lynnwood; Snohomish County; Puget Sound Regional Council

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Poplar Way Extension Bridge
Phase 6 NB Poplar Way Closure Detour

Project Area

Legend
- Lynnwood Traffic Signal
- WSDOT Traffic Signal
- Snohomish County Traffic Signal
- Snohomish County All-Way Stop
- Detour
- City Limits

Source: City of Lynnwood, Snohomish County, Puget Sound Regional Council
Poplar Way Extension Bridge
Phase 5 WB 524 to NB I-5 On-Ramp Closure Detour

Legend
- Lynnwood Traffic Signal
- WSDOT Traffic Signal
- Detour
- City Limits

Project Area

Source: City of Lynnwood, Snohomish County, Puget Sound Regional Council