

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

City of Lynnwood Stream Maintenance Program (SEPA-26-0008)

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:

On June 17, 2026, Derek Fada, Development Services Supervisor, on behalf of the City of Lynnwood's Public Works Department, submitted an application for a SEPA threshold determination for the proposed City of Lynnwood Stream Maintenance Program for invasive plant removal and stream bank stabilization to maintain stream and drainage system functionality, maintaining public safety and supporting the long-term operation of the City's Stormwater Management System. The project will be conducted for a period of 5 years within Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) fish window timelines to avoid adverse impacts on fish populations.

PROPONENT:

City of Lynnwood
Public Works Department
(Derek Fada, Environmental Programs)
19100 44th Ave W
Lynnwood, WA 98036

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL:

The program will clear obstructions and invasive plants at four sites throughout the city. See the 'Project Plan Drawings' and 'Stream Sites' attachments for precise locations.

- 18000 Block of 26th Ave. W - Tunnel Creek (East of 18021 Alderwood Mall Parkway)
- 196th Place SW and 5400 Block - Scriber Creek (South of 5405 196th Place SW)
- 17000 Block of Hwy 99 (South of 16920 Highway 99)
- Interurban Trail at the 21300 Block (South of 6412 212th Street SW)

LEAD AGENCY:

City of Lynnwood
19100 44th Avenue W
Lynnwood, WA 98036

STAFF CONTACT:

Zack Spencer
(425) 670-5435
zspencer@lynnwoodwa.gov

For general information about the SEPA process, additional information about this determination, or on the appeal process please contact the staff listed above.

OTHER ACTIVE OR COMPLETE PERMIT NUMBER(S):

None at this time.

SITE DESCRIPTION:

The four different sites are all near stream beds with riparian vegetation, moderate slopes, wet soil and water plants, and typical NW Washington deciduous and evergreen trees. The sites are currently overgrown or contain excess sediment, the project proposes to return the sites to a more open condition and remove invasive organic materials.

PERMIT REQUIRED:

No additional permits are required.

APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS:

This environmental determination was reached based on the SEPA environmental checklist, plans, and supporting documents contained in the application number: SEPA-26-0008. Specifically:

1. Environmental Checklist prepared by Derek Fada, City of Lynnwood, dated June 17, 2026.
2. WDFW Hydraulic Project Application Form, dated June 26, 2025
3. Stream Maintenance Program Project Description, received June 17, 2026.
4. Project Plan Drawings Location document, received June 17, 2026

DETERMINATION:

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does 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 as listed above on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public upon request.

This Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2). This determination is issued on the basis of compliance of the proposal with all applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations and standards and does not modify or waive any such laws, regulations or standard. This DNS is issued also on the basis of this proposal complying with all applicable Lynnwood Municipal Code (LMC) regulations and standards of the City.

**SEPA RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: DEVELOPMENT & BUSINESS SERVICES
DIRECTOR**

DATE OF ISSUE: August 5, 2026

Ben Wolters

Ben Wolters, AICP, DBS Director

08/03/26

Date of Signature

COMMENT:

The lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issuance. Comments **must be received by August 19, 2026, to the staff contact listed above.** This DNS becomes final on August 19, 2026, unless the determination is withdrawn or amended by the City's SEPA Responsible Official.

If, after issuance of the DNS and prior to the end of the comment period, there is any new information or changes to the proposal indicating that the proposal will have probably significant adverse impacts, a new threshold determination will be required.

APPEAL:

Any aggrieved person may appeal this threshold determination by submitting an appeal in writing to: Development & Business Services, 19100 44th Ave W, Lynnwood, WA 98036. An appeal may be submitted only after the close of the comment period but no later than **September 2, 2026**, which is 14 days from the end of the comment period. Be prepared to make specific factual objections in an appeal. The fee for an appeal is set forth in LMC 3.104.

Contact the City of Lynnwood Department of Development & Business Services staff contact listed above or ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals.

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