

ESA SCREENING CHECKLIST

Note: The purpose of this checklist is to assist sponsoring agencies and FTA in gathering and organizing materials for environmental analysis required under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). Submission of the checklist by itself does not meet ESA requirements. This checklist is intended solely for Region X use. Please contact the FTA Region 10 office at (206) 220-7954 if you have any questions regarding this worksheet.

Sponsoring Agency Skagit Transit	Date Submitted June 26, 2018
Project Title MOA2	FTA Project Number (if known)
Project Location (Include Street Address, City, County) 11784 Bay Ridge Drive, Burlington WA 98233, Skagit County	
Project Contact: Brad Windler, Skagit Transit	Phone Number 360-757-5179
E-mail Address (if available) bwindler@skagittransit.org	

Please answer the following questions as completely as possible. If the question is not applicable, check "NA" in the space to the right

1. Describe the project and its purpose. Identify the jurisdiction(s) and watersheds (Watershed Resource Inventory Area/WRIA or Hydrologic Unit Code/HUC) in which the project is located.

The MOA2 project includes design and construction of a new Maintenance, Operations, and Administrative facility for Skagit Transit by converting the use of a previous FedEx Warehouse and existing site development and developing an adjacent vacant parcel.

2. Have all other NEPA requirements been completed for this project?

Yes No

If so, under which NEPA Class does this project fall? (Refer to DCE letter, FONSI, or ROD)

Class I Class II Class III

3. Does the project qualify as a CE or a DCE?

Yes No

Has a Region X Documented Categorical Exclusion Worksheet been completed?

Yes No

Will the project include Best Management Practices / Conservation Measures?

Yes No

Has the BMP / CM Checklist (Appendix A) been completed?

Yes No

(Note: If the project: 1) includes in-water work or work below the ordinary high water mark (OHWM) of a waterbody with listed salmonids, 2) adds > 5,000 square feet of impervious surface, OR 3) includes any new impervious surface within 150 feet of a stream waterbody with listed salmonids, it may need to go through formal consultation with the NMFS and USFWS)

4. Has the applicant obtained Endangered/Threatened Species lists and critical habitat lists from both National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for the project area?

Yes No

List NMFS species/habitat here (and attach documentation):

Endangered: None

Threatened: None

Proposed: None

List USFWS species/habitat here (and attach documentation):

Endangered: None

Threatened: None

Proposed: None

5. Has the applicant obtained Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) lists from the NMFS website (as required by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA)) for the project area?

Yes No

List Essential Fish Habitat here (and attach documentation):

No listed species or species under EFH occur on or in the vicinity of the project. PHS database Information attached of all Federal T/E and State Priority species in the vicinity. No listed/priority or EFH species presence occurs.

6. List the names of your partners for the project. Identify the project lead agency.

N/A

The project is being lead by Skagit Transist. The SEPA Lead agency is Skagit County. SEPA was issued:

##PL15-0310

7. Check the federal permits needed for your project. List the numbers of the nationwide permits if needed.

	N/A	Pending	Approved
ACOE Nationwide _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ACOE Individual _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NPDES (Gen. or Ind.) _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

8. Check State and local permits needed for your project. Circle jurisdiction.

	N/A	Pending	Approved
HPA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Surface Mining	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Forest Practices	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shoreline	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shoreline Exemption	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clearing and Grading	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Building or Subdivision	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sensitive Areas Ordinance	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Special Use Permit #PL15-0310	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

9. Which federal, State, or tribal agencies have you contacted regarding your project and its impacts? N/A

No Tribal Contact has been made. FTA will contact tribes as part of 106 notification of the undertaking, initiate government-to-government consultation, and to request their comments.

Describe any modifications to the project as a result of these contacts:

No modifications are assumed. No biological resources under ESA/EFH occur in the site area or vicinity.

10. What is the specific location of your project? Provide the zoning designation and the ¼ section, section, township, WRIA(s), and range.

The project will occur on Skagit County Parcels # P127387 (vacant) and P121434 and P121435 (developed with prior FedEx site). This site occurs in the SE Quarter of Section 24, Township 35, Range 03.

Does the project occur within an existing transportation corridor?

Yes No

11. Is the project within 150 feet of a lake, river, stream or bay, etc.? Yes No

If so, name the waterbodies.

Do these waterbodies contain listed salmonids or bull trout? Yes No

If so, name the listed species and agency with jurisdiction (USFWS or NMFS).

NA

12. a. Will blasting or pile-driving occur within 1 mile of suitable owl or murrelet habitat (specifically, old growth tree(s) or forest)? Yes No (if no, go to 12b)

b. Is the project within 0.25 miles of suitable owl or murrelet habitat? Yes No

13. a. Will blasting or pile-driving occur within 1 mile of a known bald eagle nest? (Contact the State Department of Fish & Wildlife for nest locations.) Yes No (must answer both 13a and 13b)

b. Is the project within 0.5 miles (line-of-sight) or 0.25 miles (non-line-of-sight) of a bald eagle nest, wintering concentration, roost, or foraging area?

Yes No

14. What is the size of the project (list area or length of disturbance), the amount of new impervious surface, and the total impervious surface? N/A

MOA2 site will have a minimum total acreage of 10.37 acres. The south parcels P121434 (4.95 acres) and P121435 (2.46 acres) are developed with a prior FedEx site with an existing building and paved parking/circulation that will be converted for transit operations. The existing impervious coverage of the developed parcels is approximately 75%. Parcel P127387 (5.96 acres total and 2.96 acres purchased) is vacant and has no existing impervious coverage. The purchased area of Parcel P127387 could be expanded during project design if more area is needed for stormwater management and as evaluated during project design. The developed condition of all parcels with this action will include approximately 76%-90% impervious coverage.

In answering the following questions, please describe the impacts assuming no mitigation:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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15. Describe the potential beneficial and adverse impacts upon aquatic resources that will be caused by construction of the project: N/A
- The project will have no adverse impacts and no substantial benefits to aquatic resources.
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16. Describe the potential beneficial and adverse impacts upon aquatic resources resulting from the maintenance, use, or operation of the project (post-construction impacts): N/A
- The project will have no adverse impacts and no substantial benefits to aquatic resources from any maintenance or operational uses.
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17. Describe the potential beneficial and adverse impacts upon terrestrial resources that will be caused by construction of the project: N/A
- None.
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18. Describe the potential beneficial and adverse impacts upon terrestrial resources resulting from the maintenance, use, or operation of the project (post-construction impacts): N/A
- None. The project occurs in a developed business park adjacent to an airport with limited habitat potential.
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MITIGATION

19. Is the project likely to alter the water quality of any water bodies such as bays, estuaries, lakes, streams, rivers or wetlands (through sedimentation, urban runoff, toxics, turbidity, etc.)?
- Yes No (If yes, answer a and b.)
- a. What mitigation is proposed for construction impacts?
- b. What mitigation is proposed for long-term impacts?
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20. Will the project discharge water or generate runoff to any water bodies such as bays, estuaries, lakes, streams, rivers or wetlands?
- Yes No (If yes, answer a and b.)
- a. What mitigation is proposed for construction impacts?
- b. What mitigation is proposed for long-term impacts?
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21. Are clearing and grading activities part of the project? What is the area of direct disturbance? Include soil-disturbing activities, tree/shrub removal, and alteration of upland habitat.

Yes No (If yes, answer a and b.)

a. What mitigation is proposed for construction impacts?

The project site is presently developed on the south side and there is a grassy vacant lot located to the north with little habitat potential. Clearing and grading on Parcel P127387 is proposed to construct the new transit facility. Temporary erosion and sediment control BMPs will be employed for the entire project during construction to avoid water quality impacts.

b. What mitigation is proposed for long-term impacts?

Operational stormwater management will be provided and landscaping will be provided (inclusive of native plant species) that will provide some habitat opportunities for a wetland buffer adjacent to the west side of the project.

22. Will the project remove or modify riparian vegetation within 150 feet of a water body?

Yes No (If yes, answer a and b.)

a. What mitigation is proposed for construction impacts?

b. What mitigation is proposed for long-term impacts?

23. Will the project place a structure within—or cause any change to—the bed or banks of a body of water?

Yes No (If yes, answer a and b.)

a. What mitigation is proposed for construction impacts?

b. What mitigation is proposed for long-term impacts?

24. Will the project place fill or structures within any 100-year floodplain?

Yes No (If yes, answer a and b.)

a. What mitigation is proposed for construction impacts?

b. What mitigation is proposed for long-term impacts?

25. Will the project divert water to or from the bay, estuary, lake, stream, river or wetland?

Yes No (If yes, answer a and b.)

a. What mitigation is proposed for construction impacts?

b. What mitigation is proposed for long-term impacts?

26. Will construction and/or operation of the project produce noise above ambient levels?

Yes No

If so, explain:

Skagit Transit is proposing the development of the MOA2 facility be located on the western half of Skagit County parcel P127387, and the entirety of previously developed parcels P121434 and P121435. Following FTA guidelines, there are no noise-sensitive land uses within the specified screening distance from the project (350 ft) and no vibration-sensitive land uses within the specified screening distance from the project (100 ft for Category 1 or 50 ft for Category 2). No new access roads are planned.

Construction activities associated with the project are expected to increase noise levels in the project area above ambient conditions. However, construction noise abatement measures will be incorporated into construction plans and specifications. Based on the distance of the nearest residential receiver from the project area (1,500 ft), construction noise impacts above ambient levels are expected to be minimal.

27. Has all necessary environmental documentation been provided to FTA (request letters, agency response documentation, permit approvals)?

Yes No

Appendix A

Best Management Practices (BMPs) / Conservation Measures (CM) Checklist

Please confirm use of the following measures in your project. If the question is not applicable, check "NA" in the space to the right and provide an explanation of why. Consult your FTA Region 10 contact for more information on this checklist.

Conservation Measures During Construction

Exposed Soils/Riparian Vegetation:

- Yes No N/A Minimize the areal extent of exposed soil at any given time. Stabilize all unstable slopes with the potential to impact listed fish-bearing waters.
- Yes No N/A Replant disturbed riparian areas outside of the 150 foot setback with native species at a 2:1 ratio, including the removal of mature trees (greater than 6 inches diameter breast height, or dbh).
- Yes No N/A Do not place temporary material storage piles (>12 hours storage) in the 100-year floodplain during the rainy season unless storage occurs when flooding is not imminent, and storage piles with erosive material are covered with plastic tarps (or similar) and surrounded with erosion control devices.
- Yes No N/A Conduct extensive soil-disturbing work, including excavation, in the "dry" season (generally from June to October).
- Yes No N/A Prepare a Temporary Erosion and Sediment Control (TESC) Plan prior to construction to identify standard erosion and sediment control procedures.

Stormwater Maintenance:

- Yes No N/A Develop and implement a Stormwater Site Plan for > 1 acres of clearing, grading, or grubbing.
- Yes No N/A No untreated, undetained stormwater or dewatering will leave the limits of the construction site.
- Yes No N/A Discharged water will not exceed existing (baseline) conditions based on a 2-year storm event.

Spill Controls

- Yes No N/A Restrict vehicle use in wetland and/or riparian areas.
- Yes No N/A Maintain a 300 ft setback for construction staging areas and equipment refueling near wetlands, streams, rivers, or drainages.
- Yes No N/A Prepare a Spill Prevention, Containment, and Control Plan (SPCCP) prior to construction to address potentially toxic materials used on-site during construction.
- Yes No N/A Keep spill clean-up equipment available onsite during construction, and include a spill control separator in the overall drainage system, if necessary.
- Yes No N/A Paving, chip sealing, and/or painting should occur in dry weather. Use 2-gallon pails and drip pans/protective devices when available.
- Yes No N/A For projects involving concrete, establish concrete truck chute cleanout areas to properly contain wet concrete. Protect all inlets and catchments from fresh concrete, tackifier, paving, or paint stripping if inclement weather unexpectedly occurs.
- Yes No N/A Collect and dispose debris accumulations prior to fresh water flushing. Use clean water only.
- Yes No N/A Clean paint materials and maintenance equipment outside of surface waters. Do not discharge cleaning runoff into surface waters.

Long-Term Conservation Measures

- Yes No N/A All construction & operation will occur greater than 150 feet from a listed salmonid-bearing waterbody.
- Yes No N/A Oil-water separators, bioswales, or other appropriate water quality treatment will be provided for 100% of all new and disturbed impervious surfaces..
- Yes No N/A Stormwater infiltration facilities will be designed with appropriate infiltration conditions and will be upgraded to handle increased flows or treatment.
- Yes No N/A Stream modifications or in-stream structures will not occur.



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SOURCE DATASET: PHSPlusPublic
REPORT DATE: 06/22/2018 4.20

Query ID: P180622162004

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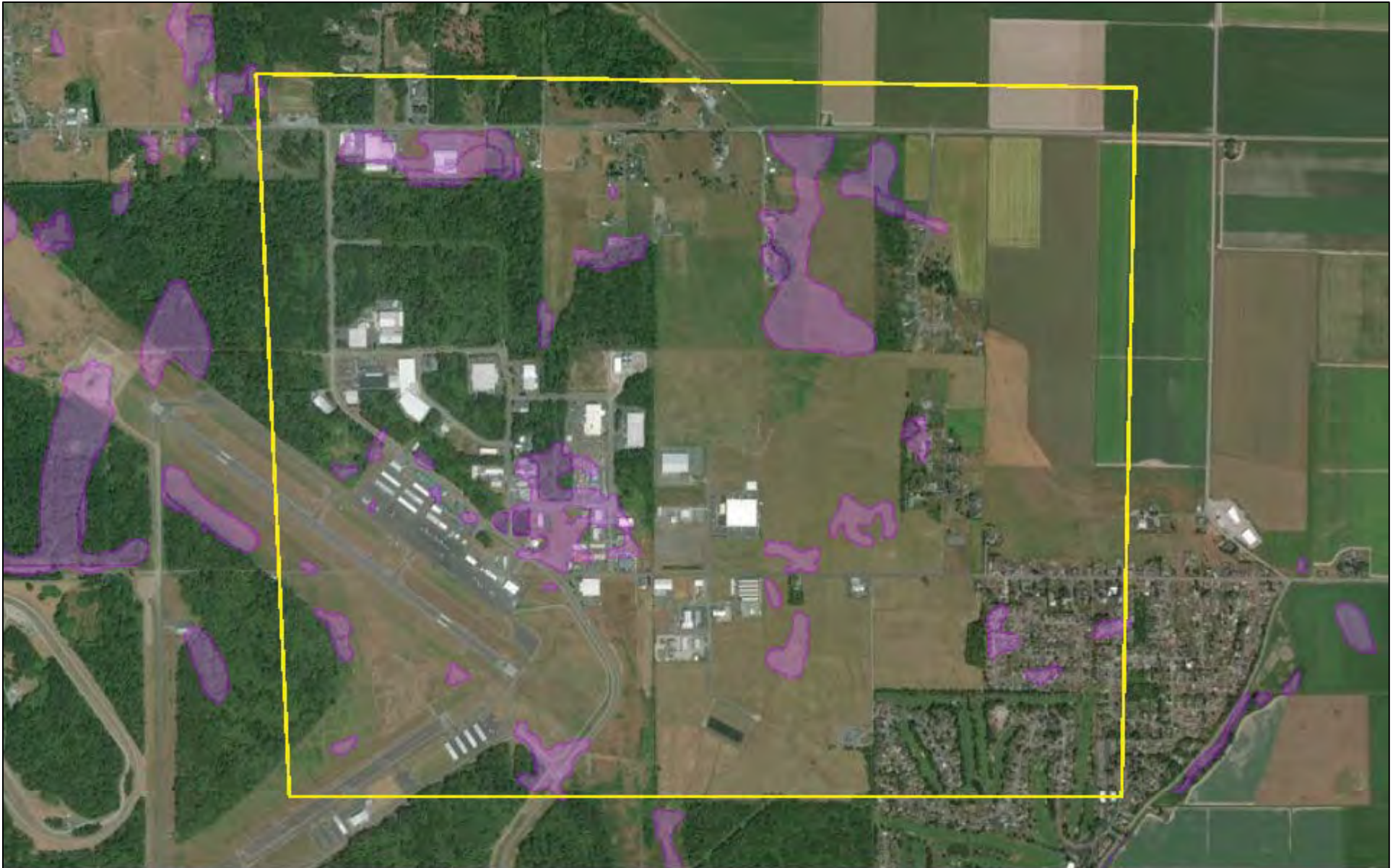
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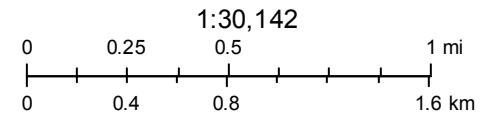
DISCLAIMER. This report includes information that the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) maintains in a central computer database. It is not an attempt to provide you with an official agency response as to the impacts of your project on fish and wildlife. This information only documents the location of fish and wildlife resources to the best of our knowledge. It is not a complete inventory and it is important to note that fish and wildlife resources may occur in areas not currently known to WDFW biologists, or in areas for which comprehensive surveys have not been conducted. Site specific surveys are frequently necessary to rule out the presence of priority resources. Locations of fish and wildlife resources are subject to variation caused by disturbance, changes in season and weather, and other factors. WDFW does not recommend using reports more than six months old.

WDFW Test Map



June 22, 2018

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