

Federal Highway Administration

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

for
YELM Y2/Y3 CORRIDOR
THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

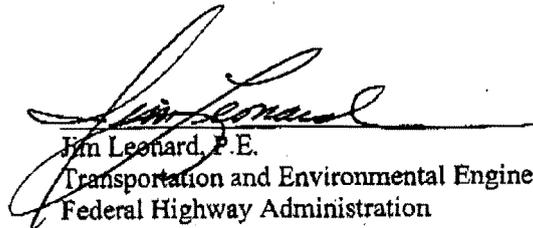
Issued Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 4332 (2)(c) and 23 U.S.C. 128 (a)

(This action complies with Executive Order 11988, Floodplain Management, Executive Order 11990, Protection of Wetlands, the Farmland Protection Act of 1981, the National Historic Preservation Act, and Executive Order 12898, Environmental Justice)

On September 30, 1999, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approved an Environmental Assessment for the subject project. The project will involve the design and construction of a new 10.3 km (6.4-mile) highway corridor around the City of Yelm in order to alleviate traffic pressures on Yelm Avenue by providing an alternate east-west route, providing better local and regional transportation system linkage, and improving safety conditions.

The FHWA has determined this proposal to develop this new corridor will have no significant impact on the human environment. This Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) is based on the attached Environment Assessment which has been independently evaluated by the FHWA and determined to adequately and accurately discuss the need, environmental issues, and impacts of the proposed project and appropriate mitigation measures. It provides sufficient evidence and analysis for determining that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. The FHWA takes full responsibility for the accuracy, scope and content of the attached Environment Assessment.

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