

SEPA DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE
WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

SOUTH ATLANTIC STREET ROAD IMPROVEMENTS
FROM UTAH AVENUE SOUTH TO FIRST AVENUE SOUTH PROJECT

Description of Proposal: The Washington State Department of Transportation proposes to undertake road improvements to South Atlantic Street near its intersection with First Avenue South. The work will generally extend from Utah Avenue South to First Avenue South and will encompass an area of approximately 20,000 square feet. South Atlantic Street will be widened to the south, west of First Avenue South. The reconfigured roadway will maintain the two existing westbound lanes on South Atlantic Street and will incorporate four eastbound lanes. The eastbound lanes will consist of a dedicated left-turn lane onto First Avenue South, two through lanes, and one through/right-turn lane. The project will also include: construction of a sidewalk on the south side of South Atlantic Street, installation of street lighting, new traffic signals for the First Avenue South and South Atlantic Street intersection, landscaping, and a stormwater detention vault. Pedestrian access points and a crosswalk on First Avenue South, south of its intersection with South Atlantic Street, will be maintained. Two power poles will also need to be relocated to facilitate construction of the project.

Proponent:

Washington State Department of Transportation
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Location of Proposal: The proposed project is located in south downtown Seattle on South Atlantic Street, between Utah Avenue South and First Avenue South, in Section 5 Township 24N Range 4E.

Lead Agency: Washington State Department of Transportation

The Washington State Department of Transportation, the lead agency for this proposal, has determined that the proposed project 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 on file with the lead agency. This Determination of Nonsignificance and the supporting checklist are available to the public on request and can be found on the project website at: www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/SR519.

They can also be read at the following location from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.:

Alaskan Way Viaduct and Seawall Replacement Program Office
Wells Fargo Building, 999 Third Ave, Suite 2424
Seattle, WA 98104

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-1 1-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments must be submitted by June 18, 2008.

Issue Date: June 4, 2008

Responsible Official: Allison Hanson, UCO Deputy Director of Environmental Services

Signature:



Date:

