

# SEPA Process

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) was established to ensure that environmental values are considered by local government when making decisions. Decisions include development decisions such as preliminary plats, shoreline substantial development permits, other official actions, as well as certain legislative actions. Agencies must follow specific procedures and processes to assure that appropriate consideration has been given to the environment.

## Initial Consultation:

A pre-application conference may be required by the Building Services Department and shall address environmental issues.

## Submittal, Preparation and Fee:

An application for SEPA Determination must be associated with a land use or building permit. Upon submittal of an action, the Building Services Department reviews the checklist and all documentation to define the level of direct environmental impact associated with the proposal. The application shall be accompanied by the fee as set forth by resolution. Contact the State of Washington State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) for the current edition of the SEPA form: <https://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/sea/sepa/forms.htm>

The threshold determination shall be made by the responsible official and shall consist of one of the following: 1) A Determination of Significance (DS), which means that the project represents significant adverse environmental impacts and requires preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), 2) A Determination of Non-Significance (DNS), which means that the project does not represent significant adverse environmental impacts, 3) A Determination of Non-Significance – Mitigated (MDNS) which lists specific conditions, modifications, or measures to be implemented into the proposal to avoid the significant adverse environmental impact. The responsible official shall complete threshold determinations based upon review of the environmental checklist and other documentation for the proposal within 15 days of the date an application and completed checklist are deemed complete, with exceptions as pursuant to HPMC 16.05.080.

Under SEPA, a project may also be determined categorically exempt. Except in extraordinary circumstances, the responsible official will decide whether an action is categorically exempt within seven days of receiving a completed application. Other actions that the responsible official may take include: 1) Adoption of an existing SEPA document, provided that the adopted document clearly anticipated the stated impact and provided for mitigation of any significant impacts, 2) other actions as outlined in HPMC 11.10.170.

There is a 15-day SEPA comment period, followed by a 14-day appeal period. Appeals shall be conducted for a SEPA determination pursuant to HPMC 16.05.290.

The application for SEPA shall be accompanied by the fee as set forth by resolution.

## Applicable Code Titles

HPMC Title 8, Health and Safety

HPMC Title 11, Planning and Development (Comprehensive Plan and Permit Process)

HPMC Title 12, Public Ways

HPMC Title 13, Public Utilities

HPMC Title 14, Boating and Harbors

HPMC Title 15, Building Code

HPMC Title 16, Environment

HPMC Title 17, Subdivisions

HPMC Title 18, Zoning



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# SEPA Application/Coversheet

FOR STAFF USE ONLY Application#: _____ Fee: _____ Receipt #: _____
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RECEIVED BY: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

A. STAFF REVIEW HAS DETERMINED THAT PROJECT:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Meets the categorically exempt criteria
- \_\_\_\_\_ Has no significant adverse environmental impact and application should be processed without further consideration of environmental effects
- \_\_\_\_\_ Has significant environmental impact and an Environmental Impact Statement will be prepared
- \_\_\_\_\_ An Environmental Impact Statement for this project has already been prepared

Signature of Responsible Official: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

B. COMMENTS:

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C. TYPE OF PERMIT OR ACTION REQUESTED: \_\_\_\_\_

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D. ZONE: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Fee Schedule - Permits

<b>Boundary Line Adjustment and Lot Consolidation</b>	\$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Building Permit</b> (new construction, remodels and any structure having a floor area measurable in square feet)	See Table A
<b>Building Permit</b> (for additions and remodels not measured in square feet)	See Table B
➤ Plan Review	65% of Permit Fee
➤ Inspection	Based on number of inspections anticipated by Building Official
➤ State Building Code Fee	\$6.50
<b>Conditional Use Permit</b>	\$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Demolition</b>	\$250.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Fire Marshal Review</b>	Bellevue Fire Department fee
<b>Heavy Truck Fee</b>	1% of the total valuation of the project
<b>Mechanical</b>	
➤ In-Kind Replacements	See Table C
➤ New Single Family and Large Remodels	See Table B
➤ Plan Review	65% of Permit Fee
➤ Inspection	As determined by Building Official
<b>Plumbing</b>	
➤ In-Kind Replacements	See Table D
➤ New Single Family and Large Remodels	See Table B
➤ Plan Review	65% of Permit Fee
➤ Inspection	As determined by Building Official
<b>Pre-Application Meeting</b> (for new construction or remodel valued at \$25,000.00 or greater)	\$500.00
<b>Reconsiderations/Appeals</b>	\$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Right of Way Use</b>	\$250.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>SEPA Review</b>	\$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
➤ EIS review/assessment	\$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Shoreline Substantial Development</b>	\$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Shoreline Substantial Development Exemption</b>	\$250.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Site Development</b>	\$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Special Use Permit</b>	\$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Street Cleaning</b>	\$3,000 deposit (May be required)
<b>Subdivision</b>	
➤ Short Plat (4 or less lots)	\$2,500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
➤ Preliminary Plat	\$2,500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
➤ Final Plat	\$2,500.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Telecommunication Permit Application Fee</b>	\$2,500.00 applied toward Town's cost
<b>Tree Removal Permit</b>	\$50.00 plus any additional charges incurred
<b>Variance</b>	\$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred



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## Fee Schedule - Consultants and Miscellaneous

<b>Consultation with Town's Building Official, Planner, Engineer or Arborist</b>	Fees charged to the Town for services rendered to a resident, other person or firm will be passed on to that resident, other person or firm based on the actual cost to the Town unless related to the original plan review.
<b>Public Hearing before the Hearing Examiner</b>	Fees charged to the Town for services rendered to a resident, other person or firm by the hearing examiner to conduct a public hearing and make findings, conclusions and decisions will be passed on to that resident, other person or firm based on the actual cost to the Town.
<b>Miscellaneous Fees:</b>	
➤ Copies:	Copies of ordinances or codes made at Town Hall: no charge.
➤ Copies of town records, zoning maps, plats, short plats, or other land-use records:	Copies made at Town Hall: \$0.15 per page.
➤ For copies that cannot be made at Town Hall (e.g. large format records):	Actual fees charged by the vendor will be passed on to the person requesting the copying.
<b>NSF Check</b>	Town fee: \$25.00 plus actual bank charge.
<b>Notary Fee:</b>	No charge to residents.
<b>Special Event Permit Fee:</b>	Town fee of \$500.00 plus any additional charges incurred by the Town for services related to the permit.
<b>Town Hall Rental Fee:</b>	The standard rental fee of \$10.00 per hour and a deposit of \$250.00 will be collected from any person or organization seeking to rent meeting space at Town Hall. The cleaning deposit is refundable after conclusion of the rental event. Any charges incurred by the Town for cleaning or repairs necessitated by and specifically attributable to the event will be deducted from the deposit, and any remaining balance will be refunded to the renter. The renter will remain liable for any repairs for cleaning costs that exceed the \$250.00 rental deposit.
<b>Attorney's Fees:</b>	Fees charged to the Town for services rendered to a resident, other person, or firm that were not authorized in advance by the Council will be passed on to that resident, other person, or firm.
<b>Milfoil:</b>	Fee: \$375.00 per lot per year



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