

# SEPA<sup>1</sup> Environmental Checklist

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## Purpose of checklist

Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization, or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

## Instructions for applicants

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. **You may use “not applicable” or “does not apply” only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown.** You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

The checklist questions apply to **all parts of your proposal**, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

## Instructions for lead agencies

Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

## Use of checklist for nonproject proposals

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B, plus the Supplemental Sheet for Nonproject Actions (Part D). Please completely answer all questions that apply and note that the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proponent," and "affected geographic area," respectively. The lead agency may exclude (for non-projects) questions in “Part B: Environmental Elements” that do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

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<sup>1</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/Checklist-guidance>

## A. Background

[Find help answering background questions<sup>2</sup>](#)

**1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:**

“A” Street Wastewater Capacity Improvement (WW0222)

**2. Name of applicant:**

City of Port Angeles Public Works and Utilities

**3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:**

321 East Fifth Street, Port Angeles, WA 98362 – 360-417-4720 – Lucio Baack

**4. Date checklist prepared:**

July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025

**5. Agency requesting checklist:**

City of Port Angeles - Department of Community and Economic Development

**6. Proposed timing of schedule (including phasing, if applicable):**

Design May – December 2025

Environmental Permit Approval September 2025

Design Update to Utility Advisory Committee October 2025

Final Design / Bid Package January 2026

Construction in April – September 2026.

**7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.**

Project may require a second phase of construction depending on finalized wastewater modeling results and available budget at the time of Contract Award.

**8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.**

N/A

**9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.**

N/A

**10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.**

SEPA Determination

**11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you**

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<sup>2</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-A-Background>

**to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)**

The “A” Street gravity sewer main is a critical component of the collection system as it conveys sanitary sewer flow from the “Lincoln Park neighborhood”, “Southwest neighborhood”, and Eastern portion of the future western UGA expansion to the City’s Wastewater Treatment Plant. A significant portion of the City’s future growth is anticipated to occur within the area upstream of this capacity improvement project.

The City has observed sanitary sewer manhole surcharging along the gravity sewer conveyance along “A” Street, future growth potential in the basin, in addition to higher intensity rainfall events (due to climate change) increases the potential for these surcharge conditions to result in Sanitary Sewer Overflows.

Conveyance capacity issues are exacerbated by heavy contribution of inflow and infiltration (I/I) in the sewer basin. The City intends to increase the capacity of gravity sewer conveyance, reduce inflow to the sanitary sewer conveyance from ally surface runoff, and reduce infiltration into aged manhole structures and sewer pipes.

The overall purpose of the project is to increase the capacity of the sewer conveyance infrastructure to support growth in the “Lincoln Park neighborhood”, “Southwest neighborhood”, and Eastern portion of the future western UGA.

Specific project objectives for the West 4th Street Alignment include the following:

- Increase sanitary sewer capacity, reduce inflow and infiltration, and replace a failing 1929-1958 era infrastructure.
- Increase sanitary sewer capacity between 17th and 7th Street for future growth.
- Increase capacity of 4,000 LF of 8 to 12-inch clay and concrete sanitary sewer with a 15 to 20-inch PVC.
- The project will replace 17 brick manhole structures originally constructed from 1929 - 1958.
- In addition to updating 20 curb ramps to comply with ADA requirements.

**12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist.**

“A” Street Wastewater Capacity Improvement will replace the gravity main along “A” street (within the A Street Right-of-Way). The gravity main will extend from the intersection of 17th & “A” Street to the intersection of 7th & “A” Street. See attached Site Plans / Vicinity Map / Topographic Map. Section, township, & range are Section 09Township 30 North,

Range 06 West and Section 04 Township 30 North, Range 06 West. Project extent presented above is based on predesign scope, final design may differ.

## B. Environmental Elements

### 1. Earth

[Find help answering earth questions](#)<sup>3</sup>

**a. General description of the site:**

Circle or highlight one: **Flat**, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other:

**b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?**

The project corridor is flat, but generally slopes Northeast at 5-10% slope.

**c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them, and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils.**

The site is within an area marked as Clallam Series Hoypus Complex consisting of glacially-consolidated glacial and non-glacial sediments. The nearly flat upland area south of the bluff slope is Juan de Fuca lobe till, which is a concrete-like mixture of sand, silt, clay, gravel, cobbles, and boulders deposited at the base of the advancing continental ice sheet. The soils in the project are not classified as agricultural soils, there is no noted agricultural land of long-term commercial significance in the project vicinity.

**d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.**

There aren't any surface indication or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity of the project.

**e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.**

The purpose for filling and grading on the project is to perform conventional open-cut utility construction. The project will include the installation 2,230 Linear Feet of 18-inch gravity main, and 1,490 Linear Feet of 15-inch gravity main, and 17 manhole structures. Additionally, 100 - 300 Linear Feet of water main may need to be relocated/replaced. Approximately 29,750 Sq. ft. of Right-of-Way will be excavated for the purpose of trench installation, and pavement restoration, the excavation activity will result in 5,100 Cubic

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<sup>3</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-earth>

Yards of structural excavation. Backfill material consists of commercially available gravel backfill (Approx. 4400 Cubic Yards), Crushed Surfacing Base/Top Course (Approx. 1850 Tons), Control Density Fill (Approx. 200 Cubic Yards), and Hot Mix Asphalt (Approx. 2700 Tons). These quantities are based on pre-design engineers estimates, bid item quantities for construction may be different.

**f. Could erosion occur because of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.**

With all projects, erosion can occur as a result of construction activities. Soils temporarily exposed during construction could be eroded by stormwater runoff. Erosion control measures will be implemented to mitigate potential erosion.

**g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?**

The installation of the pipelines will occur within areas that are already impervious. Areas disturbed by trenching will be restored to their pre-construction states. Paved areas will be repaved, gravel areas will be restored, and road side lawn areas will be stabilized and reseeded.

**h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any.**

Standard Construction Stormwater Best Management Practices will be implemented. A Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), including a Temporary Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (TESC) will be developed and followed by the project's construction contractor. City construction inspectors will periodically inspect stormwater BMPs to verify compliance with the SWPPP and TESC.

## 2. Air

[Find help answering air questions](#)<sup>4</sup>

**a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.**

Standard Construction Stormwater Best Management Practices will be implemented. A Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP), including a Temporary Erosion and Sediment Control Plan (TESC) will be developed and followed by the project's construction contractor. City construction inspectors will periodically inspect stormwater BMPs to verify compliance with the SWPPP and TESC.

**b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.**

Not Applicable to this Project

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<sup>4</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-Air>

**c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:**

Contractors will be required to comply with all relevant Federal, State, and local air quality laws. A SWPPP / TESC will be required and followed in order to mitigate air borne dust from the project site.

### **3. Water**

[Find help answering water questions](#)<sup>5</sup>

**a. Surface:**

[Find help answering surface water questions](#)<sup>6</sup>

- 1. Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.**

The Salish Sea (Strait of Juan de Fuca) is north of the project site. Tumwater Creek is to the east of the project site.

- 2. Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans.**

No, the gravity main is greater than 200ft away from all water bodies.

- 3. Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material.**

No fill or dredge material will be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands.

- 4. Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.**

The proposed project will not require surface water withdrawals or diversions.

- 5. Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.**

Flood Maps indicate that the project area lies outside of 100-year floodplain boundaries.

- 6. Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.**

The proposed project will not involve any discharges of waste material to surface waters.

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<sup>5</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water>

<sup>6</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmental-elements-Surface-water>

**b. Ground:**

[Find help answering ground water questions](#)<sup>7</sup>

- 1. Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give a general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.**

Trench dewatering may be necessary during construction to facilitate the gravity main and manhole installation. No process water from dewatering activities will be discharged to groundwater, it will be treated onsite and discharged to a vegetated area draining to the Stormwater System, or in rare cases discharged to the sanitary sewer system and conveyed to the Wastewater Treatment Plant for treatment.

- 2. Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals...; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.**

No waste materials will be discharged into the ground.

**c. Water Runoff (including stormwater):**

- 1. Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.**

Stormwater runoff will continue to flow through existing ditches, catch basins, and conveyance pipes.

- 2. Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.**

No waste materials would enter ground or surface waters as a result of this proposal.

- 3. Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.**

The proposed project will not alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the project site.

**d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:**

During Construction, Best Management Practices (BMPs) would be implemented to ensure that sediment originating from disturbed and exposed soils would be retained within the limits of disturbance. BMPs may include installation of catch basin inserts, interceptor swales, straw wattles, sediment traps, and other appropriate cover

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<sup>7</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-3-Water/Environmental-elements-Groundwater>

measures. A SWPPP, including a TESC plan, would also be required to prevent sediment transport from the project corridor to nearby water bodies as a result of excavation activities.

The installed Wastewater gravity mains will be constructed of PVC. The mains will be pressure tested following installation to verify they are free of leaks. Spill, erosion prevention, and sediment control plans, as well as observance of all applicable safety and environmental regulations for handling of chemicals will be in place to minimize risks.

## 4. Plants

[Find help answering plants questions](#)

**a. Check the types of vegetation found on the site:**

- deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other
- evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other
- shrubs
- grass
- pasture
- crop or grain
- orchards, vineyards, or other permanent crops.
- wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other
- water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other
- other types of vegetation

**b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?**

Less than 5,000 Sq. ft. of vegetation will be disturbed during this project. The gravity sewer alignment parallels the edge of road, some grassy areas may be disturbed by construction equipment. ADA ramp installation will also replace grass at unimproved ADA intersections. Disturbed vegetation in proximity to the excavation will be restored following construction.

**c. List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.**

There are no plant species identified of federal concern or species included in the Washington Natural Heritage Program database in the project area.

**d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any.**

None, the project will occur entirely within an established Right-of-Way.

**e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.**

Scotch Broom may occur along the bluff to the west of the gravity main alignment.

## 5. Animals

[Find help answering animal questions](#)<sup>8</sup>

- a. **List any birds and other animals that have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site.**

Examples include:

- **Birds:** hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:
- **Mammals:** deer, bear, elk, beaver, other: mountain beaver, raccoon
- **Fish:** bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other:

Note: Common birds and various animal species adapted to the coastal environment may be observed in the project vicinity.

- b. **List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.**

Northern Spotted Owl (listed as threatened) in the project area. The project area is in a developed urban environment.

- c. **Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.**

The site area is located within the Pacific Coast Flyway. This intercontinental migration corridor includes Puget Sound and supports a variety of species.

- d. **Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any.**

No mitigation measures are proposed, the replacement of a sewer utility gravity main will have minimal impact to animal species in the area.

- e. **List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.**

No known Invasive animal species in the project vicinity.

## 6. Energy and natural resources

[Find help answering energy and natural resource questions](#)<sup>9</sup>

- a. **What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.**

Not applicable to this project.

- b. **Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.**

No

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<sup>8</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-5-Animals>

<sup>9</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-6-Energy-natural-resou>

- c. **What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any.**

Not applicable to this project.

## 7. Environmental health

[Health Find help with answering environmental health questions](#)<sup>10</sup>

- a. **Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur because of this proposal? If so, describe.**

1. **Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.**

There are no toxic cleanup sites on private property adjacent or within the “A” Street Right-of-Way.

2. **Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity.**

There are no hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design, including underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines.

3. **Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project.**

No toxic or hazardous chemicals will be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project. If soil contamination is encountered during the project, all soil disturbance activities in the contaminated area will follow an approved materials management plan.

4. **Describe special emergency services that might be required.**

Typical emergency response services (fire and emergency medical) would be required in the event of an accident related to a hazardous material spill from construction activity. No other special services would be required.

5. **Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any.**

If contaminated soil is encountered, soil disturbance will follow procedures and practices for excavation, storage, and transport of contaminated soils or groundwater which may be encountered, in accordance with applicable local, state, and federal regulations.

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<sup>10</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-7-Environmental-health>

To protect against hazardous substance spills from routine equipment operation and activities during construction, the selected contractor will be required to provide an emergency response plan and know proper hazardous material storage, handling, and emergency procedures. Including proper spill notification and response requirements.

Adherence to BMPs applicable to soil erosion and sediment control will be followed, including BMPs in the Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington.

## **b. Noise**

### **1. What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?**

There are no existing sources of noise in the area that would adversely affect the proposed project.

### **2. What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site)?**

Construction will generate unavoidable temporary noise impacts caused by construction equipment (e.g. trucks, cranes, backhoes, etc.) associated with trenching and backfill activity. Noise from construction activity would occur between the hours of 7am – 7pm. There are no long-term impacts associated with the completed project.

### **3. Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:**

All construction vehicles and equipment would be properly sized and maintained. Construction activities would occur during daytime hours only and would comply with City of Port Angeles noise standards (PAMC Chapter 15.16).

## **8. Land and shoreline use**

[Find help answering land and shoreline use questions](#)<sup>11</sup>

### **a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe.**

Land use at and adjacent to the project site are primarily residential, with some Public Works Facilities.

### **b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses because of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use?**

The project site has not been used for agriculture.

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<sup>11</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-8-Land-shoreline-use>

**1. Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how?**

The proposal will not affect or be affected by working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access.

**c. Describe any structures on the site.**

The proposed gravity main alignment is within the "A" Street Right-of-Way, there are existing buried utilities within the Right-of-Way, there are no other structures on the site.

**d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?**

No structures will be demolished as a result of this project.

**e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?**

Current zoning classification of the site is right-of-way, adjacent properties are residential zoning.

**f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?**

The Port Angeles Comprehensive Plan map designates the area crossed by the gravity main as exempt right-of-way.

**g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?**

There are no shoreline master program designations for the site.

**h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.**

There are no sites classified as critical area within the project site.

**i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?**

The project would not change staffing levels at the City of Port Angeles Public Works and Utilities Department.

**j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?**

No one would be displaced by the completed project.

**k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any.**

Displacement would not occur as a result of this project; therefore, mitigation measures have not been developed.

**l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any.**

The project will increase the conveyance capacity of the "A" Street sewer conveyance, the project is compatible with the existing and projected uses of the "A" Street right of way, which serves as a utility and transportation corridor.

**m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:**

The project has no impact to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, therefore no measures to reduce or control impacts are proposed.

## 9. Housing

[Find help answering housing questions](#)<sup>12</sup>

**a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

Not Applicable to this Project

**b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

Not Applicable to this Project

**c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:**

Not Applicable to this Project

## 10. Aesthetics

[Find help answering aesthetics questions](#)<sup>13</sup>

**a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?**

All the project's installed assets will be below grade.

**b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?**

No views in the immediate vicinity of the project will be altered or obstructed.

**c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:**

Not Applicable to this Project

## 11. Light and glare

[Find help answering light and glare questions](#)<sup>14</sup>

**a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?**

The completed project will not create any new sources of light or glare in the area, Construction activities will occur only during daytime hours. No light or glare impacts are anticipated from construction activities.

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<sup>12</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-9-Housing>

<sup>13</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-10-Aesthetics>

<sup>14</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-11-Light-glare>

- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?**

There will be no new sources of light or glare as a result of this project.

- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?**

No off-site sources of light or glare will affect this proposal.

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:**

Light and glare impacts are not anticipated; therefore, mitigation measures have not been prepared.

## 12. Recreation

[Find help answering recreation questions](#)

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?**

No recreational opportunities exist within the project corridor.

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.**

Not Applicable to this Project

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:**

Not Applicable to this Project

## 13. Historic and cultural preservation

[Find help answering historic and cultural preservation questions](#)<sup>15</sup>

- a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers? If so, specifically describe.**

There are no buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers.

- b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources.**

To date, there have been cultural resources studies completed within 1.0 mile (1.6 kilometers) of the Project Area.

Site 45CA523, Čixwicən (or Tse-whit-zen), was originally identified during the WSDOT graving dock project (Lewarch et al. 2005). Testing and data recovery at the site began in coordination with WSDOT, DAHP, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, LEKT, Larson Anthropological/ Archaeological Services, and Western Shore Heritage Services, Inc., in

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<sup>15</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-13-Historic-cultural-p>

2004. The site consists of a large cemetery with hundreds of human remains and midden deposits. In 2007, archaeological monitoring for the graving dock project decommissioning and remediation resulted in the collection of additional cultural materials (Fichter et al. 2007). Additional survey and testing completed in the Port of Port Angeles log yard between 2017 and 2020 revealed an extension to the east of the original site boundary (Colón et al. 2021; Ferris and Scott 2019). Číxwicān was determined eligible for the NRHP by the SHPO on August 5, 2004, and was listed in the NRHP on October 8, 2014.

- c. **Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc.**

The project area is not categorized as having very high risk for containing archaeological materials by the City's or DAHP's predictive model.

- d. **Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required.**

All construction activities shall follow the Project Inadvertent Discovery Plan (IDP), specifically the inadvertent discovery protocols outlined in the MIDP in the event that any cultural materials or anthropogenic sediments are identified.

## 14. Transportation

[Find help with answering transportation questions](#)<sup>16</sup>

- a. **Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.**

Roads that access or intersect the project site are "A" Street, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th. Streets are labeled on the attached Vicinity Map.

- b. **Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?**

The area in the vicinity of the project corridor is served by Clallam Transit.

- c. **Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle, or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).**

No new roads will be required. All pavement affected by construction through the project corridor will be restored. The project will improve ADA access at intersections (in the ROW) along the project corridor.

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<sup>16</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-B-Environmental-elements/Environmental-elements-14-Transportation>

- d. **Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.**

The project will not use, nor interfere with, water, rail, or air transportation.

- e. **How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?**

The completed project will not generate additional daily vehicle trips.

- f. **Will the proposal interfere with, affect, or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe.**

The proposal will not interfere with, affect or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area.

- g. **Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:**

Variable message signs will be installed prior to the start of work and remaining through completion of construction. A detour route will be prepared in order to route potential traffic away from the construction corridor, Traffic control shall be configured to allow two-way traffic whenever possible.

## 15. Public services

[Find help answering public service questions<sup>17</sup>](#)

- a. **Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.**

The proposal would not result in an increased need for public services.

- b. **Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.**

Since an increase in the need for public services is not anticipated, mitigation to reduce impacts to public service is not proposed.

## 16. Utilities

[Find help answering utilities questions<sup>18</sup>](#)

- a. **Circle utilities currently available at the site: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other: Stormwater**

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<sup>17</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-15-public-services>

<sup>18</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-b-environmental-elements/environmental-elements-16-utilities>

- b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

This Project is a Wastewater Utility Capital Improvement Project, the project will install a new Sanitary Sewer gravity main. Utility conflicts may necessitate the relocation of water service lines, stormwater catch basin laterals.

## C. Signature

[Find help about who should sign](#)<sup>19</sup>

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

X 

Type name of signee: Lucio Baack

Position and agency/organization: Civil/Utility Engineer III City of Port Angeles Public Works and Utilities

Date submitted: August 6<sup>th</sup> 2025

## D. Supplemental sheet for nonproject actions

[Find help for the nonproject actions worksheet](#)<sup>20</sup>

Do not use this section for project actions.

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?

Not Applicable.

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<sup>19</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/SEPA/Environmental-review/SEPA-guidance/SEPA-checklist-guidance/SEPA-Checklist-Section-C-Signature>

<sup>20</sup> <https://ecology.wa.gov/regulations-permits/sepa/environmental-review/sepa-guidance/sepa-checklist-guidance/sepa-checklist-section-d-non-project-actions>

- **Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:**

Not Applicable.

**2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?**

Not Applicable.

- **Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:**

Not Applicable.

**3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?**

Not Applicable.

- **Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:**

Not Applicable.

**4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection, such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?**

Not Applicable.

- **Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:**

Not Applicable.

**5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?**

Not Applicable.

- **Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:**

Not Applicable.

**6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?**

Not Applicable.

- **Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:**

Not Applicable.

**7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.**

Not Applicable.