



NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Proposal: A SEPA checklist has been submitted for the construction of Steptoe Street from 10th Avenue to Gage Boulevard. The project will involve the widening of the existing roadway (Clodfelter) between 10th Avenue and Clearwater Avenue, and the construction of a new roadway from Clearwater Avenue to Gage Boulevard, including a grade separated crossing of the BNSF Railway mainline.

Public Comment Period: Written comments must be submitted by October 12, 2006. If you have questions on the proposal, contact the Project information line at (509)-539-9035 or submit your request at the project web site at www.steptoestreet.com.

Public Meeting: The City of Kennewick Municipal Services Department will conduct a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 21st, in Rooms E & F at the Three Rivers Convention Center in Kennewick at 7016 W. Grandridge Boulevard. This meeting will be conducted to create a record of testimony concerning the proposed road improvements and to address neighborhood concerns.

Environmental Documents and/or Studies Applicable to this Study: Environmental Determination No. ED 06-45 has been assigned to this proposal. It is probable that a Determination of Non-Significance or Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance will be issued for this proposal (WAC 197.11.355 optional DNS process). The public meeting on Thursday, September 21st is an opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of the road improvement proposal.

Project Permits Associated with this Proposal: A Joint Aquatic Resources Permit Application (JARPA) will be completed to apply for a U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Section 404 permit, a Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) 401 Water Quality Certification, and a Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) Hydraulic Project Approval (HPA). A WSDOT ECS form and "No Effect Letter" have been prepared. A "Notice of Intent" for coverage under the Construction Storm Water General Permit, through the Washington State Department of Ecology will be submitted at the time of construction.

Preliminary Determination of Regulations Used for Project Mitigation: Title 4, 5 and 13 of the Kennewick Municipal Code.

To Receive Notification of the Environmental Determination: Contact the project information line at (509)-539-9035 or submit your request at the project web site at www.steptoestreet.com.

Appeal: Any person aggrieved by SEPA decision of the City of Kennewick on this proposal may appeal to the Kennewick Board of Adjustment within 10 days of the decision.

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The City of Kennewick welcomes full participation in public meeting by all citizens. No qualified individual with a disability shall be excluded or denied the benefit of participating in such meetings. If you wish to use auxiliary aids or require assistance to comment at this public meeting, please contact the City Clerk's office at (509) 585-4273 or TDD (509) 585-4425 at least ten days prior to the date of the meeting to make arrangements for special needs.