

**NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

**Sound Transit Regional Express
Interstate 5 South Everett Park-and-Ride Lot and HOV Access Project**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), in coordination with Sound Transit (the Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority) and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT), has issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for the following project: Interstate 5 (I-5) South Everett Park-and-Ride Lot and HOV Access Project. The finding is based upon the evaluation of the Environmental Assessment (EA) as issued in October 2005, and thoughtful consideration of public, agency and tribal input at the public hearing on November 1, 2005 for this project. The FONSI was issued in March 2006. The FONSI includes a Summary of the proposed project, agency coordination and, comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) and responses to those comments prepared for this project (issued in October 2005), mitigation measures to minimize harm, and other determinations and findings.

The proposed Regional Express I-5 South Everett Park-and-Ride Lot and HOV Access Project will provide a 400-stall park-and-ride lot, direct access to HOV lanes on I-5 and a connection between the park-and-ride and the 112th Street SE crossing over I-5. The park-and-ride will be located in the freeway median just north of 112th Street SE in South Everett, near Sliver Lake. The project also includes passenger platforms and shelters. The project will add three lanes to 112th Street SE where it crosses over I-5 for a total of 5 lanes. One lane is required for access between the proposed park-and-ride and 112th Street SE and two lanes, which are to be funded by the City of Everett, for general purpose traffic.

Copies of the FONSI and related documents are available for review at the office of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in Seattle, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) in Seattle and Sound Transit in Seattle. Copies will also be available upon request and may be obtained by contacting Fred Wilhelm at Sound Transit (206) 398-5034.

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