



**DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
SOUTH TACOMA STATION ACCESS IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**

Description of Proposal: Sound Transit proposes to provide access improvements to the South Tacoma Station along the Sounder South Commuter Rail line. Access to the South Tacoma Station and the surrounding area would include improved walking, bicycling, parking, and bus facilities. Other proposed improvements include new and updated sidewalks, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant ramps, and bike lanes.

Proponent: Sound Transit (Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority)

Location of the Proposal: Tacoma, Washington

Lead Agency: Sound Transit (Central Puget Sound Regional Transit Authority)

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it 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 the completed environmental checklist and technical reports.

This Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340 (2) and Sound Transit's SEPA rules (Resolution R2018-17). The lead agency will not act on the proposal until February 28, 2024, which is 14 days from the date of issue below.

Availability of Documents: The SEPA checklist, including the technical reports, are available for review at <https://www.soundtransit.org/system-expansion/south-tacoma-station-access-improvements/documents>. Electronic copies of the checklist and technical memos are available at no charge and paper copies are available for \$15.00 by contacting Dominique Jones at (206) 689-4783 or Dominique.Jones@soundtransit.org.

Comments Due: Comments must be submitted by 5:00 p.m., February 28, 2024. Email comments should be submitted to southtacomaaccessimprovements@soundtransit.org. Written comments should be mailed to Lesley Maurer, Senior Environmental Planner, Sound Transit, 401 S. Jackson Street, Seattle, WA 98104. If you have any questions or need assistance, please feel free to reach out to Lesley Maurer at (206) 553-3892.

The responsible official may reconsider the DNS based on timely comments and may retain or modify the DNS or, if the responsible official determines that significant adverse impacts are likely, withdraw the DNS or supporting documents. If the DNS is retained, it will be final after the expiration of the comment deadline.

Responsible official: Perry Weinberg
Position/title: Deputy Executive Director, Office of Environmental Affairs and Sustainability
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You may appeal this determination to: Sound Transit Chief Executive Officer, Sound Transit, Union Station, 401 South Jackson St., Seattle WA 98104-2826 no later than 5:00 p.m., March 6, 2024, by submitting a written statement requesting an appeal, setting forth the information required by Sound Transit's SEPA rules (Resolution No. R2018-17) and by paying the required fee. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections. Resolution No. R2018-17 is available online at:

https://www.soundtransit.org/st_sharepoint/download/sites/PRDA/FinalRecords/Resolution%20R2018-17.pdf

Please contact Lesley Maurer or Perry Weinberg at the phone numbers listed above if you would like to discuss alternative arrangements for delivering an appeal.

Date: February 14, 2024

Signature: *Perry Weinberg*
Perry Weinberg