



STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT

DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

SUMNER-BONNEY LAKE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 320 NON-PROJECT ACTION CAPITAL FACILITIES PLAN 2021-2027

Description of Proposal:	Non-Project Action to update the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District's Capital Facilities Plan (2021-2027). The 2021-2027 Capital Facilities Plan incorporates those elements required under the Growth Management Act, including an inventory of existing capital facilities, level of service and student generation factors, projected growth District-wide, need for land acquisition and capital facilities, costs associated with needed permanent capital facilities and interim facilities, and a financing plan.
Project Proponent:	Sumner-Bonney Lake School District No. 320 ("District") 1202 Wood Avenue Sumner, WA 98390
Project Location:	District-Wide
Lead Agency:	Sumner-Bonney Lake School District No. 320
Date of Issue of MDNS:	January 11, 2022
Date of Comment Deadline:	January 25, 2022 5:00 p.m.

Sumner-Bonney Lake School District No. 320, as Lead Agency, has determined that this Non-Project Action does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed Environmental Checklist and the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District Capital Facilities Plan 2021-2027 on file with the District. This information is available to the public on request.

This Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340. Comments must be submitted by closing of the Comment Deadline. The Responsible Official may reconsider the DNS based on timely comments and may retain or modify the DNS. If the DNS is retained, it will be final after the expiration of the applicable appeal period.

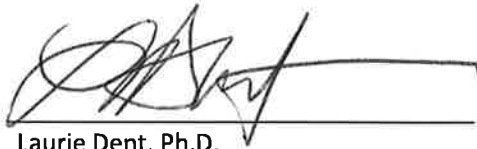
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Superintendent
Responsible Official

Date: January 11, 2022

NOTE: Pursuant to RCW 43.21C.075, the final decisions of the Responsible Official may be appealed in accordance with Sumner-Bonney Lake School District SEPA Policy 6890 and SEPA Regulations & Procedures 6890P(10). Any action to set aside, enjoin, review, or otherwise challenge such action on the grounds of noncompliance within the provisions of Chapter 43.21 RCW (State Environmental Policy Act) shall be commenced in Pierce County Superior Court.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Sumner-Bonney Lake School District (District) issued a SEPA Checklist relating to its 2021-2027 Capital Facilities Plan (CFP), a Non-Project Action, on December 7, 2021 with a comment deadline of December 22, 2021. No comments were received.
2. The District's Capital Facilities Plan 2021-2027 sets forth all of the elements required of a CFP under the Growth Management Act (GMA).
3. There are five (5) jurisdictions within the boundaries of the District: Bonney Lake, Edgewood, Pacific, Pierce County, and Sumner.
4. The GMA authorizes the collection of School Impact Fees for the purpose of providing a proportionate share funding source to assist in providing adequate school facilities district-wide. The GMA does not require that GMA Impact Fees benefit a particular development area, but only require a general benefit to the entire school district capital facilities from growth-related residential development.
5. The District Capital Facilities Plan for 2021-2027 sets forth the District's adopted level of service standards (LOS) based upon legislative initiatives and District initiatives and educational standards: 19 students per classroom for all-day kindergarten, 21 students for grade one, 22 students for grade two, 22 students for grade

three, 27 students for grades four and five, 30 students for grade six through twelve, and special education classes for students may be provided in a self-contained classroom in class sizes dictated by the needs of the students and programs. Preschool students historically have not been included as a separate level of service in school district capital facilities plans but have been incorporated as part of elementary school programming. The District continues on an annual basis to further evaluate its LOS and school capacities based upon educational policy and legislative initiatives.

6. Projected student enrollment was based upon the Sumner-Bonney Lake School District Enrollment Trends and Projections prepared by William Kendrick, PhD., a Demographic Consultant, as updated in January 2021.

7. A Student Generation Rate Study was conducted by the District's School Planning Consultant to determine student generation rate factors.

8. In conjunction with preparation of capacity projections based upon a six (6) year enrollment projection, the District has prepared the net utilization of its classrooms for each school. The District's net capacity calculations take into account the number of classrooms at each school, class size standards and room utilization based on current educational programming needs at each school. It is not possible to achieve 100 percent utilization of classrooms at most schools due to space requirements for special programs, common areas, gymnasiums, flexible spaces for school teachers to have a work space during their planning periods, and the avoidance of scheduling conflicts. These factors can change from year to year based upon programming needs at each school and as such the capacities of each school may vary over time.

9. The District's CFP for 2021-2027 sets forth the following capital facilities needs:

Six-Year Project List

- Modernization and Expansion of Sumner High School under a phased Master Plan Project approved under a Conditional Use Permit and a Development Agreement in the City of Sumner. Phase 1 of the Master Plan started construction Fall 2021
- Expansion of Mountain View Middle School for additional capacity and interior and exterior upgrades commenced 2021
- Property acquisition for a future elementary school and middle school
- Capacity addition with site development improvements to Bonney Lake High School
- Expansion of capacity at the elementary school level and/or construction of a new elementary school
- New portable classrooms, as needed

Longer-Term Project List

- Acquisition of land for additional elementary, middle and potential expanded/additional high school facilities.
- Maintenance and upgrades to Crestwood Elementary
- Maintenance and upgrades to Liberty Ridge Elementary
- Expansion of existing elementary school(s) where necessary and appropriate
- New elementary school
- New middle school
- Potential need for new or expanded high school facilities
- Ensure athletic facilities are sufficient to meet District needs
- Ensure transportation facility is sufficient to meet District needs

- Ensure maintenance and operations facility is sufficient to meet District needs
- Ensure space for the Technology Department is sufficient to meet District needs
- Additional space for District-wide administrative and support staff, as necessary

10. The District's CFP is incorporated by reference into the City of Bonney Lake Comprehensive Plan, the City of Edgewood Comprehensive Plan, the Pierce County Comprehensive Plan, and the City of Sumner Comprehensive Plan. The City of Pacific's Capital Facilities Element of its Comprehensive Plan has provided that the District is "responsible for capital facility plans for [its] schools in the City of Pacific".

11. The District has updated its Impact Fee Calculations for both Single-Family and Multi-Family residential development under the 2021-2027 CFP in accordance with the impact fee formula accepted by the jurisdictional entities within the District with school impact fee ordinances, Bonney Lake, Edgewood, Pierce County, and Sumner. The City of Pacific has not adopted a school impact fee.

NOTE: The issuance of this Determination of Nonsignificance does not constitute approval for a project-specific action. The Sumner-Bonney Lake School District No. 320 will comply with all applicable municipal requirements for project-specific actions at the time of submittal of project specific proposals, including requirements under the State Environmental Policy Act.

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