

SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

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.

A. Background

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:
Homestreet Plat
2. Name of applicant:
Homefirst Development, LLC
3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:
Rob Rice, 1868 State Ave NE, Olympia, WA 98506, (360) 754-7010

4. Date checklist prepared:
May 14, 2020
5. Agency requesting checklist:
City of Chehalis
6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):
Preliminary Plat 2020, Site Development 2021, Home construction 2022, 2023.
7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.
No
8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.
Wetland Report (Attached)
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.
No
10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.
Preliminary Plat, Site Development, Utility Permits, NPDES, Final Plat
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 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.) *Subdivide 22.27 acres into 69 single family residential lots.*
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. *East side I-5, south of Bishop Road at southerly terminus of Wind River Drive and Harold Drive.*

B. Environmental Elements

1. Earth

a. General description of the site:

(circle one): Flat, **rolling**, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other _____

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

15%

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.

Silty Clay Loam

- d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe. *No*
- 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. *Some ballast will be imported for roadway construction but all other grading is expected to occur by cutting and filling onsite materials. Estimate as much as 50,000 cubic yards of material could be moved around onsite*
- f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe. *The onsite soils are fine grained and once vegetation is removed and the soils are exposed to rainfall, erosion would be expected.*
- g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)? *Approximately 30% of the subject site will be covered with roofs, patios, roads and driveways, and sidewalks in the completed form.*
- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any: *Siltation ponds, temporary sediment traps, construction entries, silt control fencing, and other Best Management Practices as may be appropriate will be utilized during construction. All disturbed areas will be revegetated upon project completion to provide permanent erosion control.*

2. Air

- 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. *Dust will be generated during construction. Permanent homes in the project will generate typical residential odors including outdoor cooking and automobiles.*
- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe. *No*
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any: *Dust control measures will be employed during construction. Permanent erosion control measures will also alleviate dust in the completed project.*

3. Water

- a. Surface Water:
- 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.

There is a Category III wetland with an associated ditch/stream north of the project.
 - 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.
The storm water control ponds and portions of the access roads serving this project will be within 200 feet of the wetlands.
 - 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. *None*

- 4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known. *No*
- 5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan. *Yes, a small portion in the southerly corner of the site lies within a 100-year flood plain.*
- 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.

No

b. Ground Water:

- 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 general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

No

- 2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: 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.

None known

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. *Runoff from roadways, roof tops and yards will be collected in a catchbasin piping system and conveyed to one of several storm water detention ponds. Runoff will be held in the detention ponds, treated to remove solids, petroleum products, and other contaminants, then slowly released downstream to the wetlands.*
- 2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe. *Untreated storm water potentially could carry waste materials from yards and streets to the wetlands.*
- 3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe. *No*

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any: *Storm water controls per Lewis County Code 15.45 will be implemented.*

4. Plants

- 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?

Wetlands and buffers will be left intact. Most of the balance of existing vegetation will be altered or removed to build storm ponds, roads and houses.

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

None known

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

Streets, open spaces and storm water ponds will be landscaped.

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

5. Animals

- a. List any birds and other animals which 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:
fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other _____

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

None?

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

No

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

Preserve wetlands and their buffers.

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

None known

6. Energy and Natural Resources

- 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.
Electricity will be used to heat and light homes.
- b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties?
If so, generally describe.
No
- 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:
All homes will be constructed according to the most current edition of the Washington Energy Code.

7. Environmental Health

- a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal?
If so, describe. *No*
- 1) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.
None
 - 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.
None
 - 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.
None
 - 4) Describe special emergency services that might be required.
Fire, police, medic
 - 5) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:
None
- b. Noise
- 1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)? *None*
 - 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 equipment on a short term basis during construction of the roads and utilities for the project. This noise will be limited to daylight hours. Permanent noise will include typical residential sounds such as traffic, outdoor parties and children playing.*

3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any: *Comply with County Ordinance for noise suppression and hours of operation for construction equipment.*

8. Land and Shoreline Use

- 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. *Site is vacant. Adjacent properties are developed as residential and commercial with some vacant and agricultural lands in the vicinity.*
- 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 as a result 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? *Unknown, however may have been used for hay production.*
- 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:
No
- c. Describe any structures on the site.
None
- d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?
No
- e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?
Residential
- f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?
Residential
- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?
N/A
- h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.
There are three wetlands on the subject property.
- i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?
No workers. Approximately 173 persons would live in the completed project.
- j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?
None
- k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:
None proposed
- L. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:
Comply with all applicable comprehensive plans and zoning ordinances.

- m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any: *None*

9. Housing

- a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.
Approximately 69 middle income single family detached lots will be created with this proposal.
- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.
None
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:
None proposed

10. Aesthetics

- a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?
35 feet is expected to the maximum height of the peak of any single family homes. Homes will be sided with mixture of wood, vinyl or concrete product.
- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?
Vacant land will be modified to a neighborhood.
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:
Retain 40% of site for open space in natural condition and plant other open space areas, storm pond tracts, and streets.

11. Light and Glare

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur? *Porch, yard and garage security lighting. No glare.*
- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?
No
- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?
None
- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:
None proposed

12. Recreation

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?
The Newaukum River lies somewhat close to the south of the project. No formal opportunities are in the immediate vicinity.
- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.
No
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:
Increased tax base from developed property will to the general fund to aid in development of parks, open space and other recreational opportunities in Lewis County. Also, installation of on-site playground in Tract "E".

13. Historic and cultural preservation

- 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.
None known
- 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.
None known
- 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.
None proposed
- 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.

14. Transportation

- 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.
The site is served by Rush Road via Rose Marie Drive. Rush Road is proximate to Interstate 5, a distance south of the proposed project.
- 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?
No. Several miles to public transit.
- c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate?
Approximately two spaces would be available on each single-family lot. No spaces will be eliminated.

- d. 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).
New streets will be constructed internal to the project to provide public access to each of the proposed single-family lots.
- e. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.
No
- f. 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 non-passenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?
Approximately 690 vehicle trips per day will be generated by the project. 40 trips are expected to occur during the afternoon peak hour between 4pm and 6pm.
- g. 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.
Roads will be constructed to City of Chehalis standards where applicable.
- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:
Construct new roadways to City standards, payment of property taxes to fund on-going street maintenance.

15. Public Services

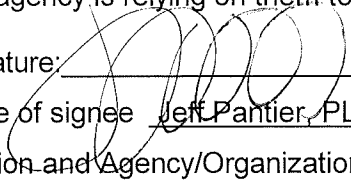
- a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.
Fire protection, police protection, health care and public schools will all be required to serve the residences of this project. The project lies within Lewis County Fire District #5.
- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.
Increase tax base from developed property will provide additional funding to the County general fund to address publicly provided services.

16. Utilities

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site:
electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other _____
- c. 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.
Sewer and water – Chehalis, Solid Waste – LeMay Centralia, Electricity – Lewis County PUD, Communications – CenturyLink

C. Signature

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.

Signature:  _____

Name of signee Jeff Pantier, PLS _____

Position and Agency/Organization Surveyor, Hatton Godat Pantier _____

Date Submitted: 5/29/2020

D. Supplemental sheet for non-project actions

(IT IS NOT NECESSARY to use this sheet 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?

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

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

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

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

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

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?

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

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?

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

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

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

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