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# Notice of SEPA Non-Project Threshold Determination of Non-Significance

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Project Location: **Non-Project Action, legislation could apply throughout unincorporated King County**

Project Description: **A proposed Ordinance relating to Fossil Fuel Facilities and Nonhydroelectric Generation Facilities, Requiring Proof of Financial Responsibility and Decommissioning Planning.**

The proposed ordinance would amend King County Code (K.C.C.) Title 21A Zoning to require developers (applicants) and operators of fossil fuel and nonhydroelectric generation facilities to provide proof that they have adequate financial coverage to compensate for the maximum damages that might occur from an explosion resulting from a worst-case release of flammable gases and liquids. The proposed ordinance requires that financial coverage be maintained for the duration of facility operations, to be verified in five-year periodic reviews. The proposed ordinance also requires that applicants provide a decommissioning plan for facility closure.

Additional information and copies of pertinent documents about the proposal can be found here:

<https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/local-services/permits/public-notices.aspx>

SEPA Threshold Determination: **Determination of Non-Significance issued effective March 30, 2022**

## **Comment/Appeal Procedure:**

This Determination of Non-significance (DNS) is issued under Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 197-11-340. The Permitting Division has determined after review of the proposed legislation, an environmental checklist and associated documents, that existing State of Washington and King County regulations and codes are sufficient to address potential impacts associated with the proposed legislation. Therefore, An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required. The issuance of this DNS does NOT constitute approval or adoption of the subject legislation.

You may comment on this DNS by submitting comments to address or email below. Emailed comments are encouraged. Comments must be received no later than **4:00 pm on April 22, 2022**. The King County Council will not act until after the comment period.

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The DNS is for a non-project action. There is no administrative appeal to the King County Hearing Examiner.

Public Hearing: Further action by the County Council has not yet been scheduled. You may check the Clerk of the Council's website for potential schedule.

<https://www.kingcounty.gov/council/clerk.aspx>

Additional information:

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If you have any questions regarding this threshold determination or the proposed legislation, please contact the Project Contact or SEPA Official at the phone number or e-mail listed above.

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