



King County

Department of
Natural Resources and Parks
Solid Waste Division

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE AND AVAILABILITY FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE SOUTH COUNTY RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION

Pursuant to WAC 197-11-460 and WAC 197-11-510 notice is hereby given that King County has issued a Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the South County Recycling and Transfer Station.

Proponent/ Lead Agency: King County Department of Natural Resources and Parks, Solid Waste Division (the Division)

Issuance date: September 20, 2016

Project Description: The project will site, design, construct and operate a new solid waste recycling and transfer station in south King County to replace the existing Algona Transfer Station. The existing station was built about fifty years ago, is over-capacity, has no space for recycling, and uses outdated technology. The *Solid Waste Transfer and Waste Management Plan*, which was the result of a regional, multi-year planning effort, recommended replacing the Algona Transfer Station with a new south county station. The new station will serve the areas surrounding and communities of Algona, Auburn, Federal Way and Pacific, providing solid waste transfer and recycling services for the next 50 years.

Final Environmental Impact Statement Contents: In accordance with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), the EIS evaluates the potential environmental impacts of siting, constructing and operating a new recycling and transfer station associated with each alternative. It covers aspects of the built and natural environment including, but not limited to, the following areas: earth, air, water, plants, animals, energy, natural resources, environmental health, land use, transportation, public services, and utilities. Three alternatives are evaluated in the document, including two action alternatives and a No Action alternative. The alternatives are:

- No Action Alternative - 35315 West Valley Highway South, Algona (existing Algona Transfer Station)
- Alternative 1 - 901 C Street SW, Auburn
- Alternative 2 - 35101 West Valley Highway South, Algona (Preferred Alternative)

The EIS also includes the comments that were received on the draft EIS and responses to those comments.

Document Availability: The Final EIS and appendices are available for review electronically on the project website at: <http://your.kingcounty.gov/solidwaste/facilities/algona/index.asp>; and hard copies are available for review at the King County Solid Waste Division, 201 S. Jackson Street, Suite 701, Seattle, or at the libraries listed below:

- o Algona-Pacific Library, 255 Ellingson Road., Pacific
- o Auburn Library, 1102 Auburn Way S., Auburn
- o Federal Way Library, 34200 1st Way S., Federal Way
- o Federal Way 320th Library, 848 S. 320th St., Federal Way
- o Kent Library, 212 2nd Avenue N., Kent
- o Muckleshoot Library, 39917 Auburn Enumclaw Road SE, Auburn

Printed documents can be obtained for the cost of production by contacting 206-477-5264. Copies of the Final EIS (without appendices) are available for \$50. Electronic copies of the Final EIS (including appendices) are also available on CD at a cost of \$5.00 each.

Appeal: Anyone wishing to appeal the adequacy of this Final EIS must file a Notice of Appeal and the appeal fee with the SEPA Responsible Official at the following address:

King County Solid Waste Division
Pat D. McLaughlin, SEPA Responsible Official
ATTN: Division Director's Office
201 South Jackson Street, Suite 701
Seattle, Washington 98104-3855

Pursuant to King County Public Rule PUT 7-4-1 (PR), King County Code section 20.22.040(U) and the other applicable provisions of King County Code 20.22.(re-codified from former K.C.C. section 20.24), a Notice of Appeal must be filed by October 7, 2016, and be accompanied by the appeal fee of \$250.00. Payment must be by check or money order made payable to "King County Treasury". For more information about this process see:

<http://www.kingcounty.gov/environment/wtd/Programs/EnvPlanning/SEPAappeal.aspx>

SEPA Responsible Official: Pat D. McLaughlin

Position/Title: Division Director, King County Solid Waste Division

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Date: 9/20/16

Signature: 