



King County

Department of
Natural Resources and Parks

Solid Waste Division

NOTICE OF ISSUANCE AND AVAILABILITY FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT FOR THE 2019 COMPREHENSIVE SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN

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 2019 Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan.

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

Issuance date: March 7, 2019

Project Description: Washington State law requires that each county, in cooperation with the cities located in the county, prepare a coordinated comprehensive solid waste management plan as outlined in RCW 70.95.080. Thirty seven cities in King County, all but the cities of Seattle and Milton, participate in the King County solid waste system.

The 2019 Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan (2019 Plan) presents strategies for managing King County's solid waste over the next 6 years, with consideration of the next 20 years is currently with the Metropolitan King County Council (Council) for adoption. The Plan includes policies, goals, and recommended actions for: the existing solid waste system, forecasting and data, sustainable materials management, the solid waste transfer and processing system, landfill management and solid waste disposal; and solid waste system finance. The 2019 Plan updates the Division's adopted 2001 Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan.

In accordance with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), the final, non-project EIS evaluates the potential significant environmental impacts of the facilities, programs, and services described in the 2019 Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan; describes mitigation measures that can be used to avoid such impacts or reduce them below significant levels; and, where possible, draws conclusions about whether there may be any significant unavoidable adverse impacts of several project and program alternatives described in the 2019 Plan. Where choices among alternatives are presented, the beneficial impacts of the alternatives are described. The final EIS 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.

The level of detail of the analysis in this final EIS is consistent with the broad programmatic issues described in the 2019 Plan. Based on the analyses in the final EIS, as well as other relevant information and analyses in the 2019 Plan, King County and participating cities will select the facilities, programs, and services to be included in the regional solid waste management system. As actions are proposed to implement the final 2019 Plan, this final EIS will be used to the maximum extent possible to satisfy State Environmental Policy Act review requirements. Additional project-specific environmental review may still be needed on some projects.

The final 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: <https://kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrp/solid-waste/about/planning/comp-plan.aspx>; and hard copies are available for review at the King County Solid Waste Division, 201 S. Jackson Street, Suite 701, Seattle. Printed documents can be obtained for \$15 by contacting 206-477-5264.

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 March 25, 2019, 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 March 7, 2019

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