

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 [\[HELP\]](#)

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable: Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan
2. Name of applicant: City of Normandy Park

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

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4. Date checklist prepared: December 2023

5. Agency requesting checklist: City of Normandy Park

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable): The Plan proposes a schedule varies per project proposed in the Plan. Project in the plan could begin as early as March 2024 and would continue through the next update in six years, and propose projects for 20 years.

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.

The Plan proposes a number of capital improvement projects to be completed over the next 20 years, with specific timing recommended for five projects over the next 6 years. The Plan itself is a non-project action with no additions or expansions anticipated.

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

City of Normandy Park Comprehensive Plan

The Comp Plan is not environmental information

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.

Not applicable, the Plan does not have an associated property. Any approvals for specific projects will be determined on a project-specific basis.

The PROS Plan is approved by RCO; the periodic update *Normandy Park 2044* will incorporate it into the Comp Plan

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

City of Normandy Park council approval. Permitting required for specific projects will be determined on a project-specific basis.

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.)

The PROS Plan is a planning document, which was developed for the City by SCJ Alliance. The Plan documents the City's existing parks, recreation, and open space and makes suggestions on short term and long term parks improvements across the city. The Plan proposes improvements to the City's park system and guides operational procedures to improve the level of service and improve deficiencies.

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.

The City's park system extends throughout the City limits. Project-specific locations vary and are indicated on the maps and figures in the Plan.

B. Environmental Elements [\[HELP\]](#)

1. Earth [\[help\]](#)

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)?

Slopes vary based on project location. Slopes along the Puget Sound bluffs are very steep, over 50% in places.

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.

Soil classifications per the USDA Soil Survey include Alderwood, Everett, Norma, Pilchuck, and Coastal Beaches.

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

The bluffs along the Puget Sound shoreline experience some sloughing or sliding. Soil conditions will be evaluated on a project-specific basis for all capital projects in the Plan.

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis for all capital projects in the Plan.

f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. All projects will comply with City and State requirements and guidelines for erosion control measures.

g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?

To be determined on a project-specific basis.

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:

To be determined on a project-specific basis. All projects will comply with the City and State requirements and guidelines for erosion control measures.

2. Air [\[help\]](#)

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.**

None anticipated. This will be determined on a project-specific basis.

b. **Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.**

None anticipated. This will be determined on a project-specific basis.

c. **Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:**

To be determined on a project-specific basis. All projects will comply with the City and State requirements and guidelines for erosion control measures.

3. Water [\[help\]](#)

a. **Surface Water: [\[help\]](#)**

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.**

Walker, Sequoia, Normandy, and Des Moines Creeks flow generally from east to west within the City toward Puget Sound. Puget Sound borders the City to the west. Arrow Lake, which has no natural inlet or outlet, is also located within the southeastern part of the City. There are various wetlands throughout the City. Any impacts to these water bodies will be evaluated on a project-specific basis.

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.**

To be determined on a project-specific basis..

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.**

To be determined on a project-specific basis.

4) **Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.**

None anticipated.

5) **Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.**

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Parts of the City lie within 100-year flood zones, particularly near the outlets of Walker and Sequoia Creeks.

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.**

To be determined on a project-specific basis. All projects will minimize impacts to surface waters, and no discharge of waste is anticipated.

b. Ground Water: [\[help\]](#)

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.

None anticipated. This will be determined on a project-specific basis.

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 anticipated, no septic tanks are associated with the proposed projects.

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. The proposed projects include improvements to the City's park system, and therefore may be associated with runoff collection or conveyance of some kind. Most runoff addressed by the City's system is generated within the City right-of-way, as the City requires on-site runoff management for developments. Runoff within the City generally flows to the surface water bodies located within the City limits, which flow toward Puget Sound. Some runoff within the City is infiltrated, though the City's soils are generally limited in their infiltration capacity.

2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

Not anticipated. Erosion, pollution, and spill control measures will be required for all construction activities to prevent discharge of waste materials into surface water or groundwater.

3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

Not anticipated. To be determined on a project-specific basis. The projects do not aim to alter drainage patterns.

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

None anticipated. To be determined on a project-specific basis. Natural drainage patterns will be maintained to the extent possible per the City and State stormwater regulations.

4. Plants [\[help\]](#)

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?

To be determined on a project-specific basis. The extent of impacts from most projects will include removal of noxious weeds, brush, grass, or small shrubs, and all projects will include site restoration to revegetate disturbed areas. Experts will be consulted to recommend mitigation measures for these impacts.

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

To be determined on a project-specific basis. The City generally has little high-value habitat land available, aside from natural areas surrounding the surface water bodies.

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

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Experts would be consulted on restoration techniques which would include using native trees, shrubs and plants.

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

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Known species of noxious weeds include Himalayan blackberry and English ivy.

5. Animals [\[help\]](#)

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. The City is mostly developed and generally has little high-value habitat land available, aside from natural areas surrounding the surface water bodies. According to the WDFW online database, possible species of concern within the City include the Pileated Woodpecker, Surf Smelt, several salmonid species (Coho, Chinook, Chum, Cutthroat Trout), Pacific Sand Lance, Hardshell Clam, Pacific Geoduck, and Great Blue Heron.

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

To be determined on a project-specific basis. The City lies within the Pacific Flyway, a migration corridor for many types of birds between Patagonia and Alaska.

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

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Several projects may include impacts to habitat areas within the stream corridors, and experts will be consulted to recommend mitigation measures for these impacts.

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

To be determined on a project-specific basis.

6. Energy and Natural Resources [\[help\]](#)

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.

No power is needed for the majority of projects. If power is needed, this will be determined on a project-specific basis.

b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.

No, projects are generally at or below ground level. This will be determined on a project-specific basis.

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:

None anticipated. This will be determined on a project-specific basis.

7. Environmental Health [\[help\]](#)

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.

None anticipated – none of the proposed projects include the storage, handling, or management of toxic chemicals or hazardous wastes. During construction, typical construction-related materials will be present that may present risk, but will be controlled with suitable pollution and spill control measures. This will be determined on a project-specific basis.

1) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.

To be determined on a project-specific basis.

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Existing gas utilities will be located during project design to prevent impacts.

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 anticipated – none of the proposed projects include the storage, handling, or management of toxic chemicals or hazardous wastes. During construction, typical construction-related materials will be present that may present risk, but will be controlled with suitable pollution and spill control measures. This will be determined on a project-specific basis.

4) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

None anticipated.

5) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Suitable pollution and spill control measures will be employed during construction.

b. Noise

1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?

Ambient noise within the City is primarily from traffic and will not impact the proposed projects.

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Short-term noise impacts will be due to construction vehicles and work. Construction activities will be limited to hours approved by the City in order to limit temporary noise impacts, with exceptions only for emergency work.

3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Construction activities will be limited to hours approved by the City in order to limit temporary noise impacts, with exceptions only for emergency work.

8. Land and Shoreline Use [\[help\]](#)

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.

Land use throughout the City is primarily residential with some commercial areas along 1st Avenue S. Specific land use will be determined on a project-specific basis. Most parks and open space properties neighbor residential properties or shoreline.

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?

No – there is no agricultural or forest land within the City limits

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:

Not applicable – there is no agricultural or forest land within the City limits

c. Describe any structures on the site.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Most proposed project sites have no existing structures. Sites that do have structures include City Hall Park with play equipment, ball fields and city offices. Marvista Park has play equipment, outdoor bathrooms, and a shade structure. Nist Park has play equipment and a temporary bathroom.

d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Most proposed projects will not require demolition of structures.

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

Varies. To be determined on a project-specific basis.

f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?

Varies. To be determined on a project-specific basis.

g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?

Varies. To be determined on a project-specific basis.

h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.

Varies. To be determined on a project-specific basis.

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?

None anticipated. None of the projects propose housing.

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?

None anticipated. None of the projects propose removal of existing housing.

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:

None anticipated.

L. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:

To be determined on a project-specific basis. The proposed projects will not change or otherwise impact land use, and work will be completed within City-owned property or within easements on other properties.

m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:

Not applicable – there is no agricultural or forest land within the City limits.

9. *Housing* [\[help\]](#)

- a. **Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

None. None of the projects propose housing.

- b. **Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

None anticipated. None of the projects propose housing.

- c. **Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:**

None anticipated. None of the projects propose housing impacts.

10. *Aesthetics* [\[help\]](#)

- a. **What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?**

Most projects will be completed at ground level, and most projects do not include any above-ground structures or buildings. This will be evaluated on a project-specific basis.

- b. **What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?**

None anticipated. Most projects will be completed at ground level. This will be evaluated on a project-specific basis.

- c. **Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:**

None anticipated. Most projects will be completed at or below ground level. This will be evaluated on a project-specific basis.

11. *Light and Glare* [\[help\]](#)

- a. **What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?**

None anticipated. The proposed projects do not include any lighting. To be determined on a project-specific basis.

- b. **Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?**

Not anticipated. The proposed projects do not include any lighting. To be determined on a project-specific basis.

- c. **What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?**

None anticipated. The proposed projects do not include any lighting and would not be impacted by off-site lighting. To be determined on a project-specific basis.

- d. **Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:**

None anticipated. The proposed projects do not include any lighting. To be determined on a project-specific basis.

12. Recreation [\[help\]](#)

a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

To be determined on a project-specific basis. This plan impacts public parks, open space, beaches, ball fields and water access areas within the City.

b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.

None anticipated. Any impact to recreational spaces will be temporary during construction only and would be determined on a project-specific basis.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Any impact to recreational spaces will be temporary during construction only. Access to these spaces will only be restricted as necessary to provide a safe and secure work zone, and access will be restored as soon as is practical.

13. Historic and cultural preservation [\[help\]](#)

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis.

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Site-specific cultural assessments will be conducted as needed to identify any materials or areas of cultural importance.

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. The Department of Archaeology and Historical Preservation database will be consulted, and Tribes will be contacted for their input.

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. The Department of Archaeology and Historical Preservation database will be consulted, and Tribes will be contacted for their input.

14. Transportation [\[help\]](#)

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.

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Most projects will occur on City owned property. Specific locations are indicated on the maps in the Plan.

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?

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Public transit is only available along the eastern edge of the City limits along 1st Avenue S.

c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate?

None are anticipated to be eliminated. To be determined on a project-specific basis.

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).

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Most projects will occur within City right-of-way alongside City streets inside the City owned parks.

e. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.

Not anticipated. Projects will occur within City owned parks.

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 nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?

None anticipated. The projects include improvements to existing park systems and are not anticipated to change traffic volumes.

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.

Not anticipated – there is no agricultural or forest land within the City.

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

To be determined on a project-specific basis. Temporary impacts will occur during construction, and all projects will require approved traffic control plans to be implemented. Road detours or closures will be limited to those necessary in order to provide a safe work zone.

15. Public Services [\[help\]](#)

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.

Not anticipated. The projects include improvements to existing parks systems and are not anticipated to impact demand for public services.

- b. **Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.**
None anticipated.

16. Utilities [\[help\]](#)

- a. **Circle utilities currently available at the site:**
electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system,
other _____

To be determined on a project-specific basis. During design, utilities will be located on each project site in order to minimize impacts to existing utility service.

- b. **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.**

Most projects will not require any utility service. This will be determined on a project-specific basis.

C. Signature [\[HELP\]](#)

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 Aimee Lloyd

Position and Agency/Organization: Parks & Recreation Manager, City of Normandy Park

Date Submitted: 12/14/23

D. Supplemental sheet for nonproject actions
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The PROS Plan is a non-project action; future project-specific actions implementing it will be subject to the SEPA threshold determination process as appropriate.

(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?

~~To be determined on a project-specific basis.~~ The proposed projects in the Plan will include improvements to the City's parks systems including planting trees, maintaining and improving parks. Runoff volumes discharged to surface water or groundwater will generally not be increased, as the projects will be improving existing systems and not increasing hard surface coverage. Runoff treatment will be provided where required by City regulations. Impacts to air quality or noise will occur temporarily during construction, but no long-term impacts are anticipated.

~~To be determined on a project-specific basis.~~

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

Discharges to surface water will be maintained at pre-project levels with no increase in runoff rates, and the projects will comply with the City's stormwater requirements, which are adapted from the Department of Ecology's requirements. Air emissions will be limited to temporary impacts from construction vehicles. No toxic substances will be stored or released from any sites, and sites will be assessed prior to construction to identify any existing contaminated soils or groundwater. Noise impacts will be limited to temporary impacts during construction. Construction will occur during City-mandated hours to limit impacts.

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

~~To be determined on a project-specific basis.~~ Several proposed projects in the Plan will include work in or around existing water bodies. Improvements would likely include reforestation work aimed at improving vegetation in parks and open space which help plants, animals and fish.

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

~~Environmental impacts will be assessed for each project individually.~~ Most projects will occur within City owned park areas, with a range of animal habitat. Some parks have less habitat and geared towards baseball or have large grass play fields. Others are heavily-wooded natural environments. Projects in the vicinity of surface water bodies or with heavily wooded trees and shrubs will include evaluation by habitat and ecology professionals to determine best practices for minimizing impacts to habitat areas.

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

The proposed projects in the Plan will include improvements to the City's parks systems including reforestation work and forest health improvements. As such, no impacts to natural resources are anticipated.

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

None anticipated. The projects are not anticipated to require energy use.

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?

~~To be determined on a project-specific basis.~~ Several proposed projects in the Plan will include work in or around existing water bodies, which may include floodplains, recreation areas, habitat, and wetlands.

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

~~Environmental impacts will be assessed for each project individually.~~ Most projects will occur within City parks in developed areas, with little to no habitat or sensitive areas. Projects in the vicinity of surface water bodies or heavily wooded areas and open space will include evaluation by habitat and ecology professionals to determine best practices for minimizing impacts to wetland or other critical areas. Temporary impacts to parks may occur if construction is required inside City parks.

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?

~~To be determined on a project-specific basis.~~ Several proposed projects in the Plan will include work in the vicinity of the shoreline, though no change in land use or shoreline designation is anticipated.

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

No change in land use or shoreline designation is anticipated to result from the projects.

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

The proposed projects in the Plan will include improvements to the City's park systems. The proposed projects will not induce any demands on transportation services or other utilities.

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

No impact to transportation or utilities is anticipated beyond temporary impacts during construction. Construction will require suitable traffic control measures and plans to be approved by the City, and construction will be limited to City-defined hours.

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

All projects will be required to obtain the necessary local, state, and federal permits that are relevant to the project actions. This will include review by all interested agencies and Tribes, as needed. All required regulations and laws will be determined on a project-specific basis, and necessary approvals and permits will be secured prior to project initiation.

