

## Department of Community Development

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## NOTICE OF DECISION ZACKUSE CREEK FISH PASSAGE PROJECT PUBLIC AGENCY & UTILITY EXCEPTION (PAUE) AND NOTICE OF STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (SEPA) THRESHOLD DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS) ZACKUSE CREEK FISH PASSAGE PROJECT PAUE2017-00521

Date of Notice: December 20, 2017 Appeal Period Ends January 10, 2018 at 5 PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on December 20, 2017 the City of Sammamish Department of Community Development issued a Public Agency & Utility Exception (PAUE) for the Zackuse Creek Fish Passage Project, PAUE2017-00521. Public notice has been provided via: mailed notice to property owners within 1,000 feet of the subject site, a sign posted on the subject site, and by placing a legal notice in the local newspaper.

The purpose of the Zackuse Creek Fish Passage Project is to improve fish passage and spawning habitat for native kokanee salmon in Zackuse Creek. There are two components for this project. The first component will replace three partial fish passage concrete culverts with fish passable culverts. The second project component is to restore an unstable portion of Zackuse Creek in order to create enhanced stream channel morphology that is better suited for kokanee spawning and rearing habitat. The project will improve fish passage within Zackuse Creek by improving fish access and increasing available aquatic habitat.



The project includes work on both private property and public

right of way. The three culvert replacements are planned in the following locations 1) East Lake Sammamish Parkway, approximately 900-feet south of its intersection with Louis Thompson Hill Road, 2) King County Parks East Lake Sammamish Trail - Tax Parcel 3225069015, 3) East Lake Sammamish Shore Lane - Tax Parcel 1738700085 (Weber), accessing through East Lake Sammamish Shore Lane – Tax Parcel 1738700090 (Ivanhoff). Additional private property work will be completed on Tax Parcels 3225069021 (Pereyra) and 3225069277 (Pereyra) for the stream restoration portion of the work.

The Zackuse Creek Fish Passage and Stream Restoration Project is a City of Sammamish sponsored standalone fish habitat enhancement project funded by the City of Sammamish and King County Parks, as well as grants from the King County Flood Reduction Program, King County Executive Council Water Works, and the King County Sub-regional Opportunity Fund.

This project is identified by the Lake Sammamish Kokanee Work Group (*Blueprint for the Restoration and Enhancement of Lake Sammamish Kokanee Tributaries*, 2014) as a habitat restoration action that will directly contribute to the recovery of kokanee salmon in Lake Sammamish. The project has the potential to both

reintroduce kokanee into Zackuse Creek and promote the establishment of a self-sustaining population. The project is also identified in the City of Sammamish's *Storm and Surface Water Management Comprehensive Plan* (2016) and *Six Year Stormwater Capital Improvement Plan*.

The City of Sammamish is prepared to start construction in June of 2018, given a fish passage window from July 1 to September 30, and expects project completion by October 2018. A copy of the Decision and Exhibits, except for this notice, can be accessed through the following link: https://spaces.hightail.com/receive/5p8H74BDtR.

File Number: PAUE2017-00521

Date of Application: June 23, 2017

Date of Completeness Determination: July 12, 2017

**Date of Notice of Application:** July 19, 2017

**Applicant:** City of Sammamish, c/o Tawni Dalziel, 801 228<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Sammamish, WA 98075, Phone: (425) 295-0500, Email tdalsiel@sammamish.us.

**Authorized Agent:** Otak, Inc., c/o Kevin O'Brien, 11241 Willows Road NE, Redmond, WA 98052, Phone: (425) 822-4446.

## **Property Owners:**

- Walter T. Pereyra, 202 East Lake Sammamish Parkway NE, Sammamish, WA 98074
- Peter Weber and Denise Bunchek Weber, 205 East Lake Sammamish Shore Lane NE, Sammamish, WA 98074
- King County Parks, c/o Frank Overton, 201 South Jackson Street, KSC-NR-700, Seattle, WA 98104
- Daniel and Laurie Ivanoff, 2045 250<sup>th</sup> Place NE, Sammamish, WA 98074

**Project Location:** The proposed project is located within the NW ¼ of Section 32, Township 25 North, Range 06 East, W.M. The following King County Assessor Parcel Numbers are associated with the proposal: 3225069021 (Pereyra), 3225069015 (King County ROW), 1738700085 (Weber), and 1738700090 (Ivanoff).

**State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Determination:** The proposed development was reviewed under the provisions of State Environmental Policy Act, (SEPA). A Threshold Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) was issued under the optional DNS process specified in WAC 197-11-355.

Existing Environmental Documents Available for Review: Base Land Use Application, Plan Set, Public Comments, Applicant Response to Public Comments, Geotechnical Report, SEPA Environmental Checklist, Critical Area Study, Critical Areas Affidavit, Cultural Resources Assessment, Draft Temp Construction Easement, JARPA, Project Narrative, Zackuse Creek Bed Material Stability Technical Memorandum, Culvert Sizing Recommendations Technical Memorandum, Zackuse Credits Credit Debit Memorandum, and Legal Description.

**Staff Project Planner Assigned:** Ryan Harriman, AICP, Senior Planner P: (425) 295-0529, E: <a href="mailto:rharriman@sammamish.us">rharriman@sammamish.us</a>. Address: City of Sammamish City Hall, 801 228th Avenue SE, Sammamish, Washington 98075.

**Appeal Period:** This decision may be appealed to the City of Sammamish Hearing Examiner pursuant to the provisions of SMC 20.10.080 and 20.15.130. Appeals must be submitted in writing with the appropriate filing fee (\$250.00) and received by 5 pm on the last day of the appeal period at City Hall, located at 801 228th Ave SE, Sammamish, WA, 98075. Appeal instructions are available at City Hall, or are available upon request at (425) 295-0500. Appeals for this decision must be received at the address above by: January 10, 2018 at 5:00 PM per SMC 20.15.130. Please direct comments to the Staff Project Planner Assigned.

Inquiries regarding the application, revised decision, and appeal process, as well as requests to view documents pertinent to the proposal, may be made at the City of Sammamish City Hall, 801 - 228th Avenue

SE, Sammamish, Washington 98075, (Tel: 425.295.0500) during normal business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Mediation of disputes is available pursuant to SMC 20.20. Requests for mediation should be made as soon as it is determined the disputed issue(s) cannot be resolved by direct negotiation. Please contact the Department of Community Development for additional information on the Land Use Mediation Program.

## **SITE PLAN**

