

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

SPOKANE ENVIRONMENTAL ORDINANCE SECTION 11.10.230[1]

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Environmental Checklist

Purpose of Checklist:

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) chapter 43.21C RCW, requires all governmental agencies to consider the environmental impacts of a proposal before making decisions. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) must be prepared for all proposals with probable significant adverse impacts on the quality of the environment. The purpose of this checklist is to provide information to help you and the agency identify impacts from your proposal (and to reduce or avoid impacts from the proposal, if it can be done) and to help the agency decide whether an EIS is required.

Instructions for Applicants:

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Governmental agencies use this checklist to determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant, requiring preparation of an EIS. Answer the questions briefly, with the most precise information known, or give the best description you can.

You must answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. In most cases, you should be able to answer the questions from your own observations or project plans without the need to hire experts. If you really do not know the answer, or if a question does not apply to your proposal, write "do not know" or "does not apply." Complete answers to the questions now may avoid unnecessary delays later.

Some questions ask about governmental regulations, such as zoning, shoreline, and landmark designations. Answer these questions if you can. If you have problems, the governmental agencies can assist you.

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 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.

Use of checklist for nonproject proposals:

Complete this checklist for nonproject proposals, even though questions may be answered "does not apply."

IN ADDITION, complete the SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTIONS (Part D).

For nonproject actions, the references in the checklist to the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proposer," and "affected geographic area," respectively.

A. BACKGROUND

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable: 14612 N. Tormey Road New Dock
2. Name of applicant: Anthony J Merrell
3. Address and phone number of applicant or contact person: 14612 N Tormey Rd, Nine Mile Falls,

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WA, 99026

4. Date checklist prepared: 8/1/2020

5. Agency requesting checklist: Spokane County

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable): 12/20-1/21


7. a. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain. No.

b. Do you own or have options on land nearby or adjacent to this proposal? If yes, explain. Yes. We own the 5 acre lot off which the dock will be built.

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to his proposal. I do not have any environmental information available directly related to this proposal.

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. There are no pending approvals or other proposals.

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known. Washington State Department of Natural resources, WDFW,

WDFW HPA will be required 

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. Approximately 400 sf of new dock for boat moorage.




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- 12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information to 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 application related to this checklist.

Dock on long lake approximately centered on the waterfront belonging to lot located at 14612
N Tormey Rd, Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026

- 13. Does the proposed action lie within the Critical Aquifer Recharge Area (CARA)?
 No. YES - River is designated "Low" susceptibility 

- 14. The following questions supplement Part A.

- a. Critical Aquifer Recharge Area (CARA)

- (1) Describe any systems, other than those designed for the disposal of sanitary waste, installed for the purpose of discharging fluids below the ground surface (includes systems such as those for the disposal of stormwater or drainage from floor drains). Describe the type of system, the amount of material to be disposed of through the system and the types of material likely to be disposed of (including materials which may enter the system inadvertently through spills or as a result of firefighting activities).

None associated with this project.

- (2) Will any chemicals (especially organic solvents or petroleum fuels) be stored in aboveground or underground storage tanks? If so, what types and quantities of material will be stored?

No.

- (3) What protective measures will be taken to insure that leaks or spills of any chemicals stored or used on site will not be allowed to percolate to groundwater. This includes measures to keep chemicals out of disposal systems.

No chemicals will be stored or used on this site.



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(4) Will any chemicals be stored, handled or used on the site in a location where a spill or leak will drain to surface or groundwater or to a stormwater disposal system discharging to surface or groundwater?

No chemicals will be stored or used on this site.

b. Stormwater

(1) What are the depths on the site to groundwater and to bedrock (if known)?

Dock is located over the water.

(2) Will stormwater be discharged into the ground? If so, describe any potential impacts?

No.

TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

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1. Earth

a. General description of the site (circle one): flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountains, other: Rocky shoreline

b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)? 20% (below waterline)

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 prime farmland. Rock, cobbles, sand

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe. No.

Geological Hazards are mapped on upland soils.

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e. Describe the purpose, type, and approximate quantities of any filling or grading proposed. Indicate source of fill:

None.

concrete footings to be placed in river bed *CS*

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

No.

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

None.

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

None.

2. Air

a. What type of emissions to the air would result from the proposal (i.e., dust, automobile, odors, industrial, wood smoke) during construction and when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.

None.

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

No.

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

None applicable.

3. Water

a. SURFACE:

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- (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.

Dock is to be built over long lake.

- (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. ___

Yes, construction to occur during annual winter drawdown. Will occur adjacent to the lake at winter level.

- (3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from the surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material.

None.

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

No.

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

No, my understanding is the lake itself is not considered part of the floodplain. No construction above waterline.

- (6) Does the proposal involve any discharge of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.

No. Care taken to discharge no materials or waste into the water.
Materials to be fabricated offsite for minimal onsite waste.

b. GROUND:

- (1) Will groundwater be withdrawn, or will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

No.



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- (2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sanitary waste treatment facility. Describe the general size of the system, the number of houses to be served (if applicable) or the number of persons the system(s) are expected to serve.

None.

c. WATER RUNOFF (INCLUDING STORMWATER):

- (1) Describe the source of runoff (including stormwater) 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.

None. Dock surface shall allow rainwater to pass.

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

No. Care shall be taken to control any waste materials. Materials to fabricated offsite for minimal onsite waste.

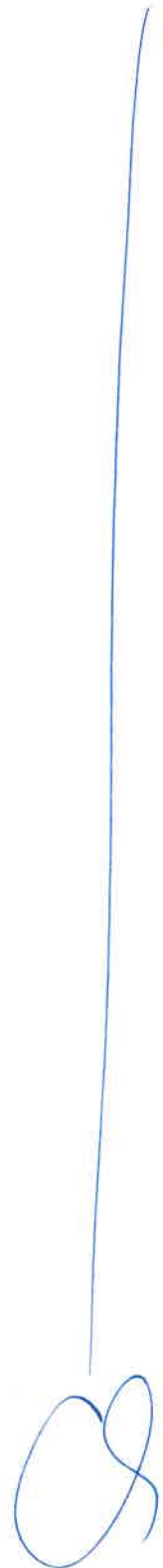
- d. PROPOSED MEASURES to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water impacts, if any.

None apply.

4. Plants None. Site is offshore only. No underwater vegetation exists in this area.

- a. Check or circle type of vegetation found on the site:

- _____ Deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other.
- _____ Evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other.
- _____ Shrubs
- _____ Grass
- _____ Pasture
- _____ Crop or grain
- _____ Wet soil plants, cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other.
- _____ Water plants: water lilly, eelgrass, milfoil, other.
- _____ Other types of vegetation.



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b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered? _____
None.

c. List threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site. _____
None.

d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any: _____
None.

5. Animals

a. Circle any birds and animals which have been observed on or near the site are known to be on or near the site:
birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other: _____
mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other: _____
fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other: Smallmouth bass.
other: _____

b. List any threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site.
None.

c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain. _____
No.

d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any: _____
None.

6. Energy and natural resources

a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc. _____
Battery powered tools to be used for dock assembly.

b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe. No.

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- 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.

7. Environmental health

- 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.

Does not apply to this project

- (1) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

Does not apply to this project

- (2) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

Does not apply to this project

b. NOISE:

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

Traffic from highway 291. Occasional boat traffic noise.

- (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.

Short term - noise from power tools during construction

approximately 9 am - 5 pm

- (3) Proposed measure to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

None anticipated.

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8. Land and shoreline use

- a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties?
Site not currently being used. Adjacent property used for occasional recreation.
- b. Has the site been used for agriculture? If so, describe.
No.
- c. Describe any structures on the site.
None.
- d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, which?
No.
- e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?
Lake, public waterway. Rural Conservation
- f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?
Unknown Rural Conservation
- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?
Site is adjacent to shoreline master program. Rural Conservancy
- h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area? If so, specify.
No. yes - River is a "shoreline" stream
- i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?
None. Occasional recreational use only.
- j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?
None.

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k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any: None applicable.

l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any: None applicable.

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9. Housing

a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle or low-income housing. None.

b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high-, middle- or low-income housing. None.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any: does not apply.

10. Aesthetics

a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed? Approximatly 18" above waterline.

b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed? Does not apply.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any: Compiste decking material and galvanized steel intended to be an unobtrusive but attractive look.

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11. Light and Glare

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur? Not applicable. No lights are planned.

- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views? Not applicable.

- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal? Not applicable.

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any: Not applicable.

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12. Recreation

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity? Boating, fishing. Within a "no wake" zone.

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe. No. Any current usage would not be impacted.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any: Does not apply.

13. Historic and cultural preservation

- a. Are there any places or objects listed on, or proposed for, national, state, or local preservation registers known to be on or next to the site? If so, generally describe. No, there are not.

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- b. Generally describe any landmarks or evidence of historic archaeological, scientific or cultural importance known to be on or next to the site.

None applicable.

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

None applicable.

14. Transportation

- a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site, and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any. _____

None applicable.

- b. Is site currently served by public transit? If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop? No. Adjacent to private property.

- c. How many parking spaces would the completed project have? How many would the project eliminate? Not applicable.

- d. Will the proposal require any new roads or streets, or improvements to existing roads or streets not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private). Not applicable.

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

- f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project? If known, indicate when peak would occur. _____

Not applicable. Site is accessed by foot traffic only.

(Note: to assist in review and if known indicate vehicle trips during PM peak, AM Peak and Weekday (24 hours).)

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

Does not apply.

15. Public services

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- a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe. Does not apply.
- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any: Does not apply.

16. Utilities

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site: *electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other:* None.
- 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. None.

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C. SIGNATURE

I, the undersigned, swear under penalty of perjury that the above responses are made truthfully and to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that, should there be any willful misrepresentation or willful lack of full disclosure on my part, the agency must withdraw any determination of Nonsignificance that it might issue in reliance upon this checklist.

Date: 8/1/2020

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Please Print or Type:

Proponent: Anthony J Merrell

Address: 14612 N Tormey Rd

Phone: 509-998-7410

Nine Mile Falls, WA 99026

Person completing form (if different from proponent): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

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COREY SMITH

Staff member(s) reviewing checklist: SPOKANE COUNTY BUILDING & PLANNING DEPT.

Based on this staff review of the environmental checklist and other pertinent information, the staff concludes that:

- A. there are no probable significant adverse impacts and recommends a Determination of Nonsignificance.
- B. probable significant adverse environmental impacts do exist for the current proposal and recommends a Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance with conditions.
- C. there are probable significant adverse environmental impacts and recommends a Determination of Significance.