

**Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance  
Issued with a 14-day comment and appeals period  
State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)**

**Description of Proposal:** Demolition of the existing (36,184 square feet) Black Diamond Elementary School and construction of a new two story (50,217 square feet) elementary school on the existing site. The project will include removal of existing portable facilities on the site, landscaping improvements, reconfigured site access, and associated project and site work.

**Proponent:** Enumclaw School District #216

**Location of Proposal:**  
25314 Baker Street, Black Diamond, WA 98010

**Lead Agency:** Enumclaw School District #216

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the proposal, as mitigated, does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW43.21C.030(2)(c.). This decision was made after a review of the completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public.

This Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and WAC 197-11-350. The lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issue. Comments and/or appeals must be submitted to the Responsible Official no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 6, 2016.

Appeals must be in writing to the Responsible Official and must specify: (a) the determination being appealed; (b) the errors complained of; (c) the corrective action being sought; (d) the reasons why the determination should be changed, and (e) whether further oral or written comment or a hearing is requested. Supporting documents may be submitted with the letter of appeal. Failure to meet these requirements will result in an automatic dismissal of the appeal for failure to file a timely and complete appeal. The responsible official will reconsider the MDNS based on timely comments and may retain, modify, or, if significant adverse impacts are likely, withdraw the MDNS. If the MDNS is retained, it will be final after the expiration of the comment deadline outlined below.

**Responsible Official:** Michael Nelson

Address: 2929 McDougall Avenue  
Enumclaw, Washington 98022

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Issuance: March 23, 2016  
Appeal/Comment Deadline: April 6, 2016

The following mitigating measures shall be attached as conditions for the above Threshold Determination:

### **EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL**

1. The project will implement an erosion control plan prepared in accordance with the City of Black Diamond requirements.
2. During construction, the District will implement erosion control Best Management Practices to mitigate and minimize potential erosion. These elements could include stock pile covering, catch basin protection, silt fence, establishment of a construction entrance/lay down areas/haul routes, and temporary construction runoff storage facilities. Turbidity monitoring per the Department of Ecology NPDES Permit will be implemented during construction to limit the impact of soil disturbance to the natural systems.
3. Following construction, erosion potential will decrease when drainage is controlled and any cleared areas are revegetated. This may include landscaping, piping, and armoring of outfall areas.

### **NOISE AND AIR**

1. Dust emissions during demolition and construction will be remediated through regular watering.
2. Due to the presence of residential land use areas that would receive noise during the preparation of the site and construction of the proposed improvements, construction contractors will be directed to comply with the requirements in the City of Black Diamond noise ordinance Ch. 8.12 which allow construction during the week between 7 a.m. and 8 p.m. on weekdays.) and any additional relevant permitting requirements. On Saturdays, construction will be limited to 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. and on Sundays, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
3. Construction equipment will be required to meet class regulatory standards for vehicle emissions. All motorized equipment used during construction and for maintenance of the improvements after construction will be maintained to achieve peak performance and reduce the amount of emissions generated.
4. Construction equipment designed to be used with mufflers shall be fitted with correctly sized and properly functioning mufflers.
5. To the extent feasible and practical, material staging areas, construction parking areas, and any other enterprises whose noise may disturb nearby residences will be located as far as feasible from off-site dwellings.
6. Construction contractors will be required by construction specifications to provide specific measures to control air pollution and will meet standards of the Puget Sound Air Emissions Control Agency as required by same.
7. Measures such as watering and spraying will be used to control dust during demolition and construction.

### **STORM WATER/SURFACE WATER**

1. Temporary erosion devices will be installed during construction.
2. A storm drainage plan will be implemented in accordance with City of Black Diamond requirements.
3. Stormwater runoff will be collected, treated, and detained in accordance with the requirements of the 2012 Department of Ecology Stormwater Management Manual.

### **PLANTS/LANDSCAPING**

1. Cleared and graded areas will be revegetated with native and drought resistant plantings and new specimen trees will be planted where feasible or as otherwise required by the City of Black Diamond code provisions.
2. The District will retain as many existing trees as compatible with road, parking, utility and building construction.

### **AESTHETICS:**

1. To building scale will be broken down with vertical slots to divide the exterior into shorter wall lengths and canopies that bring smaller scale elements around the taller elements. Window patterns and louver openings will further create a more open aesthetic.
2. Site lighting will be designed to be contained on site, with cut-off shields, and oriented away from neighboring homes.

### **TRANSPORTATION:**

Prior to building permit issuance, the District will enter into a traffic mitigation agreement with the City of Black Diamond to pay a total of \$54,055.00, which represents a proportionate share of the costs of identified City of Black Diamond transportation project commitments at the intersections of SR 169 and Baker Street, SR 169 and Roberts Drive, and SR 169 and Black Diamond-Ravensdale Road. The estimated proportionate share calculations for the three affected intersections are, \$4,400 for 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave/Baker St., \$28,775 for 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave/Roberts Dr. and \$20,880 for 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave/Black Diamond Ravensdale Rd. The District's proportionate share addresses existing and future increased trips during the p.m. peak hour as a result of expanding permanent capacity at Black Diamond Elementary School from 193 students to 450 students.

The traffic mitigation agreement is to fund the installation of public improvements attributable to this project from the City's Capital Improvement Plan that are needed to determine concurrency. Traffic will be limited in and out of school site on Baker/Second Avenue and will be enforced, therefore, no additional traffic is anticipated at Park/169. Refer to the technical memorandum prepared by Heffron Transportation, Inc. dated March 3, 2016