



CITY OF WEST RICHLAND

DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

File Number: SEPA-012-2022 (Well No. 3 Replacement)

Applicant: City of West Richland, Public Works Department

Location of Proposal: Well #3 is located adjacent to the east intersection of N 62nd Ave and Deer St (Parcel no. 136071000001001). The new Well #3 and pump house will be constructed in the vacant lot west of N 62nd Ave, south of Tapteal Elementary School, north of Desert View Mobile Home Park, and east of the existing center-pivot irrigation circle. The vacant lot is also part of parcel no. 136071000001001.

Description of Proposal: The project includes design, permitting, and constructing a new groundwater well, associated well building, telemetry equipment, on-site back-up power generator, disinfection system, water main, security fencing, and miscellaneous site improvements. The new well and pump house will be constructed on the vacant lot west of N 62nd Ave. During drilling and testing of the new well, the City will discharge native groundwater produced during drilling and aquifer pumping testing onto vacant DNR property adjacent to the new well. In addition, a temporary cuttings and drilling water collection pit will be situated adjacent to the west of the new well. Following development, the new well will be connected to the existing City water delivery infrastructure. The overall size of the project site is 445,420 sf, off which approximately 40,000 sf will be fenced off following completion of construction. Fenced off area in the northeastern corner of the site will contain well house and all water system infrastructure needed to connect the well to the City potable water supply system.

Following completion of the new well, the existing Well #3 and the associated pump house will be decommissioned and removed. The new Well #3 is intended to be in operation by the first quarter of 2024.

Lead Agency: West Richland Community Development Department

Responsible Official: Eric Mendenhall, Community Development Manager
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Findings:

1. The City finds that the Well No. 3 Replacement will not result in adverse impacts to the environment.

Threshold Determination:

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment that cannot be mitigated through compliance with the conditions of the West Richland Municipal Code and other applicable regulations. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. The responsible official finds this information reasonably sufficient to evaluate the environmental impacts of this proposal. This information is available to the public upon request.

Mitigation Measures:

No mitigation measures required at this time.

This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issuance. You may submit comments on this proposal to the address below before 5:00 PM, **July 14, 2022**.

Staff Contact: For information on this proposal, contact Elisha Ransom, Associate Planner, at (509) 967-7114 or eransom@westrichland.org

Date: 6/30/2022

Signature: 
Eric Mendenhall, Community Development Director

Appeal:

Any agency or person may appeal the lead agency's environmental determination as set forth in WRMC 18.04.260. Appeals of this decision will be accepted until 5:00pm, **July 14, 2022**.