



User's Guide

Environmental Impact Statement and Subarea Plan

The City of Bremerton has issued the Planned Action Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the South Kitsap Industrial Area (SKIA). The proposal considered in the EIS includes the following related actions:

1. Adoption of an ordinance designating SKIA as a planned action, which allows for streamlined environmental review of future development proposals.
2. Adoption of a SKIA Subarea Plan Visions and Goals
3. Development standards and Design Guidelines.

This User's Guide is intended to provide the reader with a road map to the document. The information below provides basic information about the EIS and subsequent pages provide a guide to the organization of each section of the Draft EIS, Final EIS, and Subarea Plan.

What is an EIS?

An EIS, or Environmental Impact Statement, is an in-depth analysis of alternative options for achieving the proposed project. In the case of SKIA, the EIS considered three alternatives for how development might occur in the future.

What is a Planned Action?

A planned action is a designation that the City adopts to indicate that early environmental review of potential development has been conducted. The City intends to adopt this designation in conjunction with the Subarea Plan. The adopting ordinance will include the types of projects and required mitigation to qualify as part of the designation. Because the EIS is already completed, no additional environmental review is required of qualified projects.

How do I find information in the EIS?

The EIS is made up of two documents – the Draft EIS and the Final EIS. In order to understand the environmental analysis, both the draft and final documents should be consulted. In general, the Draft EIS contains a complete description of the proposal and alternatives, together with the environmental analysis of each alternative, impacts of the alternatives, measures to mitigate impacts and unavoidable impacts. The Final EIS describes the preferred alternative, provides any needed clarifications or corrections to the Draft EIS environmental analysis and provides all comments received on the Draft EIS, along with responses to the comments. These documents work together to provide the complete environmental documentation for this project.

The next page of this guide provides a brief description of each chapter of the Draft and Final EIS. These documents are available from the City by visiting www.sustainablekia.com or calling 360.473.5845.

**Organization
of the Draft EIS**

Fact Sheet

Very brief overview of the project, alternatives, location, contact people and other key information. Found at the front of the document, a handy way to quickly see basic information about the project.

Section 1 Introduction

A condensed version of the overall document, briefly describes the proposal, major impacts, and mitigation measures. This section also describes major issues still to be resolved.

Section 2 Description of Proposal and Alternatives

Describes the proposal, alternative development scenarios and background information that provide the context for the proposal. This section provides the basis for the environmental analysis in Section 3.

Section 3 Environmental Analysis

Evaluates potential impacts and measures to reduce or avoid impacts for each of the alternative development scenarios described in Section 2. Environmental topics that are evaluated include the natural environment, climate change/greenhouse gas emissions, land use, cultural resources, aesthetics, transportation, public services and utilities.

Section 4 Acronyms

Contains a list of all acronyms used in the document.

Section 5 References

Contains the list of references consulted in preparing the document.

Section 6 Distribution List

Lists all agencies and organizations that were sent a copy of the document or notice of document availability.

**Organization
of the Final EIS**

Fact Sheet

Very brief overview of the project, alternatives, location, contact people and other key information. Found at the front of the document, this is a handy way to quickly see basic information about the project.

Chapter 1 Description of the Proposal and Alternatives

In addition to a summary of information from Section 2 of the Draft EIS, provides a description of the preferred alternative.

Chapter 2 Comments and Responses

Includes all comments received on the Draft EIS and responses to those comments.

Chapter 3 Revisions to the Draft EIS

Provides clarifications, corrections, and additional information to the Draft EIS. Topics addressed include earth, climate change and greenhouse gas emissions, land use, transportation, and utilities.

Chapter 4 Distribution List

Lists all agencies, organizations, and individuals who were sent a copy of the document or notice of document availability.