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Robert Maul, Planning Manager
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Community Development Department
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Dear Robert Maul:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the determination of nonsignificance for the 13th Street Gas Station Project (SEPA23-12) 20101 Northeast 13th Street as proposed by Travis Johnson. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) reviewed the environmental checklist and has the following comment(s):

HAZARDOUS WASTE & TOXICS REDUCTION: Garret Peck (564) 669-0836

The applicant proposes to demolish an existing structure(s). In addition to any required asbestos abatement procedures, the applicant should ensure that any other potentially dangerous or hazardous materials present, such as PCB-containing lamp ballasts, fluorescent lamps, and wall thermostats containing mercury, are removed prior to demolition. It is important that these materials and wastes are removed and appropriately managed prior to demolition. It is equally important that demolition debris is also safely managed, especially if it contains painted wood or concrete, treated wood, or other possibly dangerous materials.

Please review the “Dangerous Waste Rules for Demolition, Construction, and Renovation Wastes,” posted at Ecology’s website, <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Guidance-technical-assistance/Dangerous-waste-guidance/Common-dangerous-waste/Construction-and-demolition> . The applicant may also contact Rob Rieck of Ecology’s Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program at (360) 407-6751 for more information about safely handling dangerous wastes and demolition debris.

SHORELANDS & ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE: Meghan Tait, (360) 210-2783

Thank you for providing the Department of Ecology the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed 13th Street Gas Station.

The wetland delineation was conducted in August, typically a dry time of the year for the region. Per the Corps of Engineers WMVC regional supplement to the wetland delineation manual, additional field investigation is necessary to determine whether a wetland is present. One or more site visits should be scheduled to coincide with the normal wet portion of the growing season, the period of the year when the presence or absence of wetland hydrology indicators is most likely to reflect the true wetland/non-wetland status of the site.

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The City of Camas Critical Areas Ordinance states that all wetlands and recommended buffer zones within 300 feet of the project area shall be addressed in the critical area report (16.53.030(B)(2)). Wetlands and buffers on surrounding parcels have not been evaluated and included in the Critical Areas Report dated October 2, 2023 prepared by Ecological Land Services for this project. There are mapped wetlands and hydric soils on the parcel to the west and south of the project area.

For technical assistance or questions, please contact Wetland Specialist, Meghan Tait, at meghan.tait@ecy.wa.gov or 360-210-2783.

Ecology's comments are based upon information provided by the lead agency. As such, they may not constitute an exhaustive list of the various authorizations that must be obtained or legal requirements that must be fulfilled in order to carry out the proposed action.

If you have any questions or would like to respond to these comments, please contact the appropriate reviewing staff listed above.

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cc: Garret Peck, HWTR
Meghan Tait, SEA