



**State Environmental Policy Act  
PRELIMINARY MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE**

**Description:** **Joel Greear** is proposing a driveway enlargement and excavation for future shop & single-family residence. The project is proposed on a site that is zoned Forest & Range with a Rural Working land use designation. The proposal is classified under Kittitas County Code (KCC) 17.15.060.1 as “single-family dwelling.” As defined in the allowable uses table, this is a permitted use in the existing zone and land use designation.

**Proponent:** Joel Greear, Applicant

**Location:** The subject properties are parcel #'s 963365, approximately 4.2 miles on Umptanum Road west of the intersection of Canyon Road and Umptanum Road, southwest of Ellensburg, WA. in Section 27, Township 17, Range 18, in Kittitas County.

**Lead Agency:** Kittitas County Community Development Services

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030 (2) (c) and WAC 197-11. This decision was made after review of a SEPA environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency, after considering voluntary mitigation measures which the lead agency or the applicant will implement as part of the proposal, and after considering mitigation measures required by existing laws and regulations that will be implemented by the applicant as part of the Kittitas County permit process. The responsible official finds this information reasonably sufficient to evaluate the environmental impact of this proposal. This information is available to the public on request or can be viewed at the Kittitas County Community Development Services website at: <http://www.co.kittitas.wa.us/cds/land-use/default.aspx> under “State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)” View Active Applications” using the file number “SE-24-00012 Solar Dolar”

The lead agency has determined that certain mitigation measures are necessary in order to issue a Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance (MDNS) for this proposal. Prior to issuing the MDNS, a preliminary MDNS will be sent out with the Notice of Application. The mitigation measures include the following:

**Earth**

- 1) A fill and grade permit is required pursuant to Kittitas County Code 14.05.050

**Air**

- 1) A dust control plan shall be developed and implemented during construction of the project.
- 2) During construction, reduction of construction caused dust and airborne contaminants shall be reduced through the use of water or other Department of Ecology approved methods.

**Cultural Resources and Historic Preservation**

- 1) Should ground disturbing or other activities related to the proposed plat result in the inadvertent discovery of cultural or archaeological materials, work shall be stopped in the immediate area and contact be made with the Washington State DAHP. Work shall remain suspended until the find is assessed and appropriate consultation is conducted. Should human remains be inadvertently discovered, as dictated by Washington State RCW 27.44.055, work shall be immediately halted in the area and contact made with the coroner and local law enforcement in the most expeditious manner possible.

**Transportation**

- 1) The applicant shall adhere to all applicable regulations as set forth in the current Kittitas County Road Standards.
- 2) The access locations shall be reviewed by the Kittitas County Department of Public Works to ensure that the access locations meet all applicable criteria for ingress/egress.

The County expects to issue a Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance (MDNS) for this proposal, and will use the optional MDNS process authorized by WAC 197-11-355, meaning this may be the only opportunity for the public to comment on the environmental impacts of the proposal. Comments on this proposal can be submitted to CDS any time prior to 5:00 p.m. on April 25, 2024.

Questions or Comments regarding this determination can be directed to Bradley Gasawski, 509.962.7539 or [bradley.gasawski@co.kittitas.wa.us](mailto:bradley.gasawski@co.kittitas.wa.us).

**Responsible Official:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Jamey Ayling

**Title:** Planning Official

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**Date:** April 10, 2024