



SEPA #: LUA2021-0012

## DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

**Description of proposal:** The Consolidated Diking Improvement District #3 of Cowlitz County (CDID #3) is requesting Shoreline Exemption for the 2021 Levee Maintenance Project consisting of work at two locations on the Coweeman River levee and one location on the Cowlitz River levee. CDID #3 is requesting Shoreline Exemption per WAC 173-27-040(2)(b) because the work to be completed is normal maintenance on existing levees. The normal maintenance at the three levee locations will prevent decline of each levee and continue to provide needed flood protection without causing substantial adverse effects to the shoreline environment. Per WAC 197-11-800 Categorical Exemptions, the repair, remodeling, maintenance, or minor alteration of existing private or public structures, facilities or equipment, including utilities, recreation, and transportation facilities involving no material expansions or changes in use beyond that previously existing shall be categorically exempt. The zoning districts are Open Space and General Commercial.

**Proponent:** Consolidated Diking Improvement District #3 of Cowlitz County, represented by Gibbs and Olson

**Lead agency:** City of Kelso, Community Development Department

Kelso Community Development has determined that this proposal does 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). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the City. This information is available to the public on request.

This will be the only comment period for this DNS. As per WAC 197-11-340(2); this agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below.

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The comment period ends at 5:00 pm on June 9, 2021.