



DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

Description of Proposal: CPZ2019-00016 (Arterial Atlas and Title 40, Appendix F Amendment)

Proponent: *Clark County Community Planning*

Location of proposal, including street address, if any:

Lead Agency: *Clark County, Washington*

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it 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 lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date below.

Comments must be submitted by: August 28, 2019

Responsible Official: Oliver Orjiako

Position/title: Director

Address: **RE: SEPA Comments**

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Date: 8-8-19 **Signature:** *Oliver Orjiako*

The staff contact person and telephone number for any questions on this review is Matt Hermen, Planner III, (564) 397-4343.

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**Clark County SEPA Environmental Checklist
Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 197-11-960**

A. BACKGROUND

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:
CPZ2019-00016 Deletion of proposed NE 16th Ave from the Arterial Atlas and Hwy 99 Sub Area Plan (Title 40, Appendix F)
2. Name of applicant:
Clark County
3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person.
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4. Date checklist prepared:
August 8, 2019
5. Agency requesting checklist:
Clark County, WA
6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):
Planning Commission Hearing – September 19, 2019
Clark County Council Hearing – December 2019 (Tenative)
Adoption – February 2020
7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.
No plans for future addition, expansion or further activity
8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.
In 2008, Clark County adopted the Highway 99 Sub-area plan. This proposal would amend the Highway 99 Sub-area, removing a proposed road from the Plan. The Sub-Area plan was issued a Determination of Nonsignificance during the SEPA review process in 2008.

- 9.** Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.

No pending governmental approvals are pending

- 10.** List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

This is a non-project action. This proposal will require County Council approval of the Comprehensive Plan and County Code amendment. Specifically, Appendix F (Highway 99 Sub-Area Plan) of the Clark County Development Code will be amended to remove the proposed road for the plan.

- 11.** Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)

The proposal will remove future proposed roads from Clark County's Arterial Atlas. Removal of these roads from the Arterial Atlas will remove future development's requirement to dedicate and construct the roads.

- 12.** Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist.

- d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.
No
- e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities, and total affected area of any filling or grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.
None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action.
- f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.
No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action
- g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?
None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action.
- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:
None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action.

2. Air

- a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal (i.e., dust, automobile, odors, industrial wood smoke) during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.
None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action.
- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.
No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action
- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:
None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action.

3. Water

- a. Surface:
 - 1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.

A year-round stream exists in the immediate vicinity. It is locally known as Tenney Creek.

- 2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described water? If yes, please describe and attach available plans.

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- 3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- 4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- 5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year flood plain? If so, note location on the site plan.

No.

- 6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

b. Ground Water:

- 1) Will ground water be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known .

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- 2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals . . .; agricultural; etc). Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

c. Water Runoff (including storm water):

1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

4. Plants

a. Check or circle types of vegetation found on the site.

deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other

evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other

shrubs

grass

pasture

crop or grain

orchards, vineyards or other permanent crops.

wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other

water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other

other types of vegetation

b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

c. List threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the site.

None known. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any;
None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action
- e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.
None known. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

5. Animals

- a. Circle any birds and animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site:
birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:
mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:
fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other:
- b. List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.
None known. The proposal is a Non-Project Action
- c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.
None known. The proposal is a Non-Project Action
- d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any:
None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action
- e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.
None known. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

6. Energy and Natural Resources

- a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.
None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action
- b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.
No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any:

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

7. Environmental Health

- a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so, describe.

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- 1) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- 2) Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- 3) Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- 4) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- 5) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

b. Noise

- 1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

8. Land and Shoreline Use

a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe.

The removal of the proposed road will remove the requirement to dedicate right-of-way as part of redevelopment on Commercial and Residential land. The current uses of the land directly affected by this proposal is commercial uses and mobile home parks.

b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses as a result of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use?

No.

1) Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how:

No.

c. Describe any structures on the site.

Commercial buildings for auto sales and building materials.
Mobile homes for residential living.

d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?

No

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

General Commercial and Residential (R-43)

- f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?
Commercial and Urban High Density Residential
- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?
Not Applicable
- h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county?
If so, specify.
Immediately to the west of the proposed road is the likely presence of landslide hazards and wetlands. Removing the proposed road from the County Plans is a non-project action and will not impact the critical areas.
- i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?
Not applicable. This is a non-project action.
- j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?
None. Removing the proposed road would eliminate the requirement for dedication of right-of-way. No displacement would occur if the proposed road was removed from County plans.
- k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:
Not applicable. No displacement would occur if the proposed road was removed from County plans.
- l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:
No measures are proposed to ensure compatibility with existing and projected land uses.
- m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:
Not applicable. The proposal is not located on or nearby agricultural and forest land.

9. Housing

- a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

10. Aesthetics

- a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?

Not applicable. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

11. Light and Glare

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

12. Recreation

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

Salmon Creek Park and Kline Pond are approximately one half miles from the proposed non-project action.

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

13. Historic and Cultural Preservation

- a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers? If so, specifically describe.

No.

- b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action.

- c. Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- d. Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

14. Transportation

- a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area, and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.

Highway 99 is a County principal arterial that currently serve the area of the proposed non-project action. Access to the area that would have been served by the proposed road will remain in the current state.

- b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?
Yes. C-Tran route 19 serve the affected geographic area. A transit stop is located directly adjacent to the proposed non-project action at NE 110th St and Hwy 99.
- c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate?
None.
- d. Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).
No. The removal of the proposal road would continue the state of current transportation operations.
- e. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.
No.
- f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and non-passenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?
None. Removal of the proposed road would not generate vehicular trips.
- g. Will the proposal interfere with, affect or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe.
No.
- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:
None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

15. Public Services

- a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, health care, schools, other)? if so, generally describe.

No. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

16. Utilities

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other.

- b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

None. The proposal is a Non-Project Action

C. SIGNATURE

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature: *Matt Hermen*
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Position and Agency/Organization Planner III, Clark County
Date Submitted: August 14, 2019

D. SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTIONS

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment. When answering these questions, be aware of the extent of the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?

The proposal would not increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise. Removal of the proposed road would not increase impervious surface in the area, require construction, or produce noise.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are: None

2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish or marine life?

The proposal would not affect plants, animals, fish or marine life. Removing the proposed road from the County plans would have no influence on the lives of plants, animals or fish.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are: None

3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?

Removing the proposed road from the County plans would not deplete energy or natural resources.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are: None

4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection: such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?

The removal of the proposed road from County plans would not affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated for governmental protection.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are: None

5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?

The removal of the proposed road from County plans would not affect land and shoreline use.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are: None

6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?

The removal of the proposed road from County plans would place traffic demands on Hwy 99, the adjacent principal arterial. The proposed road was intended to provide a secondary parallel route to Hwy 99. The future parallel route would distribute local traffic away from the regional arterial (Hwy 99). Removing the road would continue local transportation trips to rely on Hwy 99.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

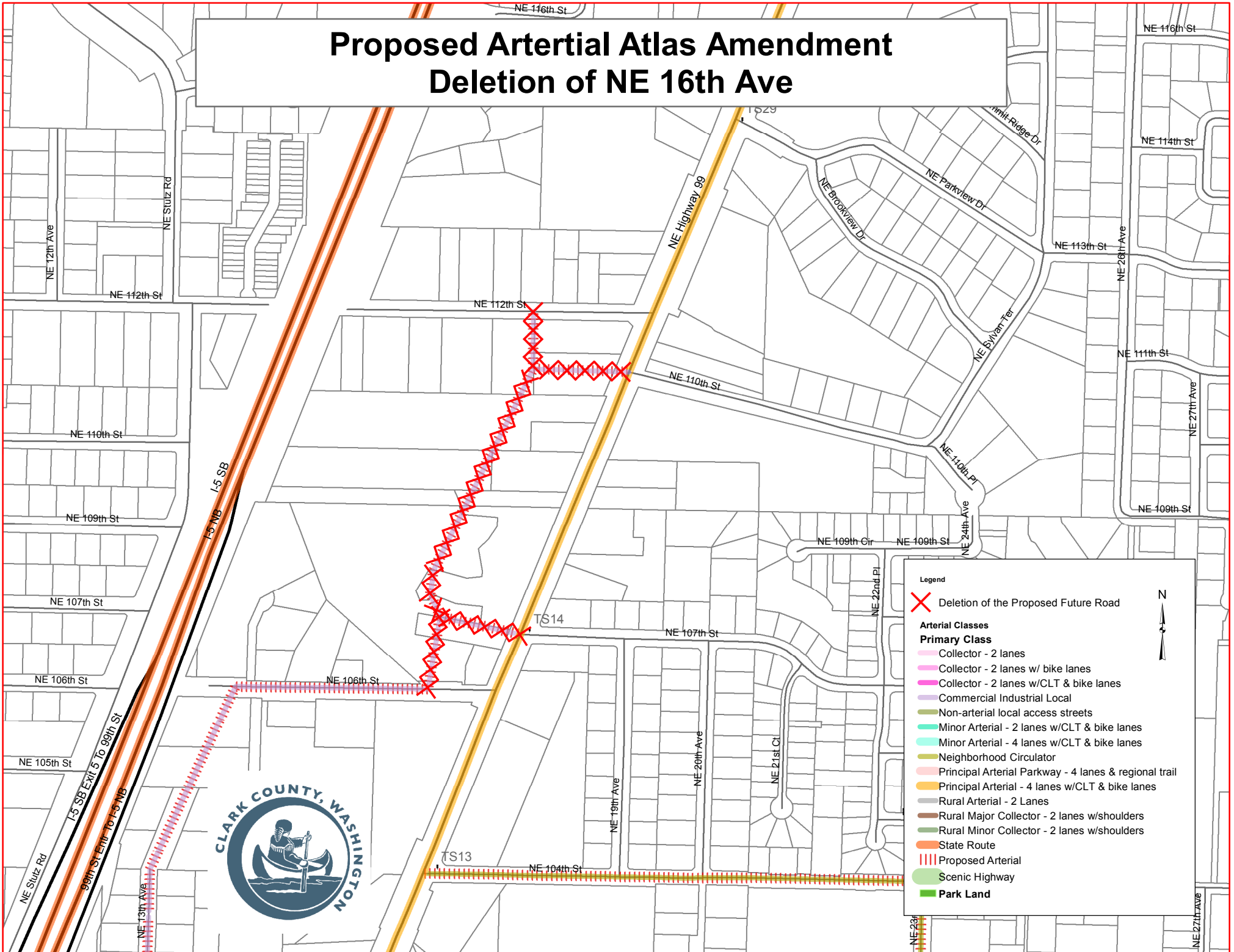
Require future development to directly access the existing local roads in order to maintain the mobility and safety along Hwy 99. A future development proposal will need to adhere to circulation requirements.

8. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

The removal of the proposed road from County plans will not conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

Proposed Arterial Atlas Amendment

Deletion of NE 16th Ave



Legend

- Deletion of the Proposed Future Road
- Arterial Classes**
- Primary Class**
- Collector - 2 lanes
- Collector - 2 lanes w/ bike lanes
- Collector - 2 lanes w/CLT & bike lanes
- Commercial Industrial Local
- Non-arterial local access streets
- Minor Arterial - 2 lanes w/CLT & bike lanes
- Minor Arterial - 4 lanes w/CLT & bike lanes
- Neighborhood Circulator
- Principal Arterial Parkway - 4 lanes & regional trail
- Principal Arterial - 4 lanes w/CLT & bike lanes
- Rural Arterial - 2 Lanes
- Rural Major Collector - 2 lanes w/shoulders
- Rural Minor Collector - 2 lanes w/shoulders
- State Route
- Proposed Arterial
- Scenic Highway
- Park Land



