

## **MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE**

File No. TD 2022-03

**DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION:** The Kennewick Irrigation District (KID) is proposing land leveling of the Schaefer property that will result in the excavation of approximately 71,000 cubic yards of excess fill material that will be incorporated into canal lining projects in parts of the adjacent KID canal.

**PROPONENT:** Kennewick Irrigation District (KID)

**LOCATION:** The project is located in unincorporated Benton County near 506 PR SE. The project is located in Section 36 of Township 9 North, Range 27 East, Willamette Meridian.

**RESPONSIBLE SEPA OFFICIAL:** Seth Defoe, Land and Water Resources Manager

### **THRESHOLD DETERMINATION:**

KID, 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 Chapter 197-11 WAC. This decision was made after review of a completed SEPA Environmental Checklist dated November 11, 202 and other information on file with the lead agency. 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. The checklist attachments and reference documents can be viewed at [www.kid.org](http://www.kid.org).

In accordance with KID Policy 8.1 and WAC 197-11-350, the lead agency for this proposal has determined that certain mitigation measures are necessary in order to issue a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) for this proposal; that such conditions are necessary to mitigate specific probable adverse environmental impacts identified in environmental documents prepared pursuant to this policy; that the mitigation measures included in such conditions are reasonable and capable of being accomplished; that it has considered whether other local, state, or federal mitigation measures applied to the proposal are sufficient to mitigate the identified impacts; that such conditions are based on one or more policies in KID Policy 8.1; and that such conditions will be in writing in a decision document.

These mitigation measures are conditions of approval imposed pursuant to RCW 43.21C.060 and KID Policy 8.1; and are enforceable under the procedures of KID Policy 8.1. These mitigation measures include the following:

### **Mitigated Determination of Non-significance Terms and Conditions**

**1. Earth**

- a. Best Management Practices will be utilized to reduce erosion at the project site during construction activities.
- b. Hydroseeding with a native seed mix will be completed on disturbed areas to reduce erosion.

**2. Water**

- a. Best Management Practices will be utilized to contain and remove any waste materials such as sediments or fuels or lubricants from heavy machinery before they can discharge into the adjacent canal during construction.

**3. Air**

- a. Best Management Practices, such as watering, will be used to minimize and control fugitive dust during the construction project.
- b. Compliance with the applicable regulations of the Benton County Clean Air Authority regarding dust control shall be met.
- c. Construction vehicles and machinery will not be allowed to idle during periods when they are not in use.
- d. Utilize equipment and machinery that meets relevant state and federal emissions standards.

**4. Historic and Cultural Preservation**

- a. If any possible cultural material is encountered during the project, work must be suspended at that location and the Reclamation Archaeologist contacted, along with DAHP and the appropriate Native American Tribes.
- b. In the event of the inadvertent discovery of human remains, all work in the vicinity of the find will be halted and the authorized KID official and Reclamation Archaeologist notified immediately, along with DAHP and the appropriate Native American Tribes.
- c. Compliance with all other applicable laws pertaining to archaeological resources is required, including KID's Inadvertent Discovery Plan (IDP).

**Kennewick Irrigation District**

**RESPONSIBLE** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** 07/17/2023

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**APPEALS:** This DNS is issued under KID Regulation and WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 working days. There is no administrative appeal provided. Any appeal of this DNS must be filed with the governmental action. RCW 43.21C.075.