

Notice of Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (MDNS)
Terminal 4 Stormwater Pond Polishing and Terminal 2/3 Pretreatment System Project
CP0574 and CP0576

Description of Proposal:	<p><i>The proposed project includes installing an underground stormwater runoff pretreatment system for drainage from portions of Terminal 2 and Terminal 3 (T2/T3 Pretreatment System) and an aboveground polishing system for the Terminal 4 Pond (T4 Pond Polishing System).</i></p> <p><i>The T2/T3 Pretreatment System will treat runoff from approximately 35 acres of impervious surface from Terminals 2 and 3 before discharging to the Terminal 4 Pond. The T4 Pond Polishing System will treat runoff pumped from the downstream section of the Terminal 4 Pond utilizing a new lift station. Runoff will be treated for stormwater contaminants to further enhance stormwater quality discharging to the Columbia River.</i></p> <p><i>The below ground T2/T3 Pretreatment System will have a surface area of approximately 2,500 square-feet and will extend approximately 15 feet below ground surface. The aboveground T4 Pond Polishing System will be installed on a concrete pad with a surface area of approximately 3,200 square-feet. In addition, approximately 34 cubic yards of fill will be brought onsite to construct a pedestrian access walkway to the T4 pond from the new polishing system.</i></p>
Location:	<p><i>The stormwater infrastructure is located on the Port of Vancouver USA's (the port) Terminal 3 and Terminal 4; addresses 2375 NW Harborside Drive, Vancouver, Washington 98660, Parcel #59115054; and 3305 NW Harborside Drive, Vancouver, Washington 98660, Parcel # 152186000.</i></p>
Proponent:	<p><i>Port of Vancouver USA 3103 NW Lower River Road Vancouver, WA 98660</i></p>
Lead Agency:	<p><i>Port of Vancouver USA</i></p>
Property Owners:	<p><i>Port of Vancouver USA 3103 NW Lower River Road Vancouver, WA 98660</i></p>
Neighborhood Associations:	<p><i>Fruit Valley</i></p>

The Lead Agency has reviewed the completed Environmental Checklist for the above-described proposal (the “Project”) and other information on file with the Lead Agency, as required by WAC 197-11-310 – 197-11-335. The Lead Agency has determined that the Project is likely to have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment, but any such impacts will be mitigated to a level of nonsignificance if the measures identified below are implemented by the Proponent. With the implementation of these mitigation measures, the Project will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment and the preparation of an environmental impact statement (EIS) under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c) is not required. Therefore, a Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (MDNS) under WAC 197-11-350 has been issued.

Conditions of Approval for Mitigating Environmental Impacts:

- *A Temporary Erosion and Sediment Control (TESC) Plan will be developed to minimize erosion and control sediment during construction of the project.*
- *Emissions during construction will be limited by implementing best management practices (BMPs) for dust suppression (e.g., applying water, covering stockpiles) and requiring that all construction vehicles and equipment employ legally required emission controls.*
- *Standard erosion control BMPs will be employed to reduce or eliminate any impacts to surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage patterns.*
- *Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards include development and adherence to an Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plan and adherence to the NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit.*
- *In the event any unknown archaeological or historic materials are encountered during project activities, work in the immediate area of the discovery will be halted and the projects inadvertent discovery plan for construction activities will be followed.*

The completed environmental checklist and related information, which are the basis of this determination, are available for review at the Port of Vancouver’s administrative office, 3103 NW Lower River Road, Vancouver, WA 98660 and at the Port of Vancouver’s temporary office space, 2801 NW Lower River Road, Suite A, Vancouver, WA 98660 and available on the Port of Vancouver’s website <http://www.portvanusa.com/environmental-services/sepa/>.

The issue date of this notice is May 28, 2025. The Lead Agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issuance. Comments regarding this decision should be received by the Responsible Official in writing within 14 calendar days after the date this decision is issued. Comments must be received by 5 pm, June 11, 2025. Only written comments will be accepted.

Comments should be addressed to:

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5/21/2025

Responsible Official

Date