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***Combined Determination of Non-Significance and  
Public Hearing Notice  
Shoreline Master Program Update  
ZCA-15-0001***

**Description of**

**Proposal:** The proposed project is an update to the 1986 City of Walla Walla Shoreline Master Program (SMP) to be consistent with state law as required by the Washington Department of Ecology. This action implements the Washington State Shoreline Management Act (Chapter 90.58 RCW), which governs the development of Washington's shorelines. Local jurisdictions are required to update their SMPs in accordance with the Guidelines in Washington State Administrative Code (WAC) 173-26, which was revised in 2003 to reflect current knowledge regarding shoreline management and science. The SMP includes goals and policies, development regulations, and shoreline jurisdiction maps with shoreline environment designations. Project elements also include a programmatic Shoreline Restoration Plan and a Cumulative Impacts Analysis (CIA). The CIA evaluates the cumulative impacts of reasonably foreseeable future development on shoreline ecological functions, and concludes with a statement that the SMP will not result in a net degradation of those functions. This proposed non-project action would add the Shoreline Master Program as an element into the Comprehensive Plan and create a new City of Walla Walla Shoreline Master Program containing goals, policies and regulations to govern the use of Walla Walla's shorelines

**Proponent:** City of Walla  
Elizabeth Chamberlain, AICP, Development Services Director  
Development Services Department  
55 E Moore Street  
Walla Walla, WA 99362

**Location:** The SMP update would affect properties adjacent to Mill Creek and properties within 200 feet of the OHWM of Mill Creek.

**Lead Agency:** City of Walla Walla

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have 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 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date issued below. Comments must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on **March 31**,

**2016** via email to [echamberlain@wallawallawa.gov](mailto:echamberlain@wallawallawa.gov) or mailed/delivered to 55 E Moore Street, Walla Walla, WA 99362.

Pursuant to WWMC Section 21.08.170, a person may appeal this DNS only on a procedural determination by the responsible official. The appeal must be filed with the Development Services Department within 14 days of the close of the comment period, or by 5:00 p.m. on **April 15, 2016**.

Responsible Official: Elizabeth F. Chamberlain, AICP  
Position/Title: Director, Development Services Department  
Address: 55 E Moore Street  
Walla Walla, WA 99362  
509-524-4710

Date Issued: **March 17, 2016**

Signature: 

Note: This determination does not constitute approval of the proposal. Approval of the proposal can only be made by the legislative or administrative body vested with that authority. The proposal will be required to meet all applicable regulations.

#### **Public Hearing**

The City of Walla Walla Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing on **April 4, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers of the Walla Walla City Hall located at 15 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Walla Walla, WA 99362 on the following:

#### **ZCA-15-0001 Shoreline Master Program Update**

Update to the City of Walla Walla's Shoreline Master Program.

**Public Comment Period:** You are invited to express comments up until and at the public hearing. Written comments may be submitted to Elizabeth Chamberlain, AICP, Development Services Director, Development Services Department, 55 E Moore Street, Walla Walla, WA 99362 or via email at [echamberlain@wallawallawa.gov](mailto:echamberlain@wallawallawa.gov)

For citizens with speech, sight or hearing disabilities wishing to review documents pertaining to this hearing, should contact the City of Walla Walla within 10 calendar days prior to the meeting, as to the type of service or equipment needed. Each request will be considered individually according to the type of request, the availability of resources, and the financial ability of the City to provide the requested services or equipment.