

**SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING AND PERMIT CENTER**  
**NOTICE OF DECISION**  
**Special Use Permit (PL01-0845).**  
**Shoreline Substantial Development/Conditional Use Permit (PL01-0843).**

Notice is hereby given that on August 1, 2002 the Skagit County Hearing Examiner issued a decision approving the Special Use Permit and Shoreline Substantial Development/Conditional Use Permit for Northwest Pipeline Corporation. The approved request is to allow the following: Within Skagit County, the Northwest Pipeline Corporation (NWP) proposes to : 1) construct two segments of 36" diameter natural gas lines directly adjacent to the existing 26" and 30" natural gas lines within the existing right-of-way; 2) construct a new compressor building (Building C) and associated gas coolers, located adjacent to the two existing buildings to house a natural gas fired turbine compressor; 3) install gas coolers adjacent to existing Building "A"; 4) expand auxiliary Building "B" in order to replace an existing boiler with a larger model and replace the existing 270 kW plant generator with a 460 kW plant generator.

Project Location: The proposed project encompasses two loops within Skagit County: The Sedro Woolley loop (8.54 miles in length), which will start at the northern most point about ¼ mile north of Thunder Creek and about ½ mile east of Highway 9 in NWP's existing right-of-way proceeding south along the existing right-of-way and ending at NWP's existing pipeline facilities directly adjacent to the north side of the Skagit River. The proposed Mount Vernon loop begins at the northern location at the compressor station on Lange Road and proceeds south on gas line right-of-way to the Snohomish County line. The proposed project is located within a portion of sections 18, 19, 30 and 31 of Township 36 North, Range 5 East, W.M., and sections 6, 7, 17, 18, 20 and 29 of Township 35 North, Range 5 East, W.M., and sections 19, 30 and 31 of Township 34 North, Range 5 East, W.M., and sections 5, 6, 8, 17, 20, 29 and 32 of Township 33 North, Range 5 East, W.M., Skagit County. The subject proposal is located adjacent to the shoreline of the Skagit River and the east fork of Nookachamps Creek

Proponent: Northwest Pipeline Corporation, 295 Chipeta Way, Salt Lake City, UT 84108.

Pursuant to Skagit County Code 14.06.200 the Notice of Decision shall be forwarded to parties of record, the applicant and other applicable parties.

Pursuant to Skagit County Code 14.06.120, the Hearing Examiners decision may be appealed as provided in SCC 14.06.110 (7) by filing a formal Notice of Appeal and filing fees with the Planning and Permit Center within 14 days of the date of the Hearing Examiner's decision or decision on the reconsideration, if applicable.

All pertinent information is available for review in the Skagit County Planning & Permit Center, 200 West Washington Street, Mount Vernon, WA 98273 (360) 336-9410.

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