SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS) And NOTICE OF DECISION

For Puget Sound Energy File # **BP18-0609**

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Notice is hereby given that on August 27, 2018, Skagit County Planning and Development Services approved the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) checklist review completed in conjunction with Grading Permit application #BP18-0609 for the Lower Baker Dam Debris Boom Replacement Project. The project proposal involves installing a new debris boom at the Lower Baker Dam that will divert and collect debris from the dam for removal. The existing debris boom is underperforming for both dam safety and fish passage criteria. The project proposal will include the combined excavation of approximately 190 cubic yards of material and the placement of a combined approximate 214 cubic yards of material for the East and West Anchor placement locations. The proposed project is located within the Secondary (SF-NRL) and Industrial Forest — Natural Resource lands (IF-NRL) zoning/comprehensive plan designated area as indicated in the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan and associated maps adopted July 5, 2016 and as thereafter amended.

PROPONENT: Puget Sound Energy, c/o Emily Hagin, 1660 Park Lane, Burlington, WA 98233.

PROJECT LOCATION: The project is located at the south end of Lake Shannon at the Lower Baker Dam, approximately one mile north of Concrete, Concrete, within a portion of Sections 2 and 3, Township 35N, Range 8E W.M., situated within Skagit County, Washington. (P43325)

LEAD AGENCY: Skagit County Planning and Development Services.

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, critical areas checklist, and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

The Lead Agency previously issued a comment period for this proposal under the Optional DNS process outlined under WAC 197-11-355.

You may appeal this threshold determination by addressing those criteria as set forth in Skagit County Code 14.06 and 16.12 and then by filing such with the Skagit County Planning and Development Services for service to the SEPA responsible official within fourteen (14) calendar days after the publication date of this threshold determination.

Appeals must be submitted by: **September 13, 2018**.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: Director of Planning and Development Services CONTACT PERSON: Brandon Black, Senior Planner – Team Supervisor MAILING ADDRESS: 1800 Continental Place, Mount Vernon, WA 98273.

PHONE: (360) 416-1326

Date: 8-27-18 Signature Brandon Black .

On behalf of Hal Hart
Planning and Development Services Director

cc: WDOE, Public Works, NW Clean Air Agency, Fire Marshal, WSDF&W, Skagit River Systems Coop, DAHP, Upper Skagit Indian Tribe, Samish Indian Nation, Sauk-Suiattle Tribal Council, Skagit County Critical Areas and Stormwater review teams, Town of Concrete, Army Corps, Applicant

Please Publish: 8-30-18

PSEBakerDam.brandonb.08.31.18