NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BY PROCLAMATION OF THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON: MEETINGS WILL BE TEMPORARILY HELD REMOTELY. IN-PERSON PUBLIC MEETINGS HAVE BEEN PROHIBITED. Your views for or against the requests are invited either by attendance or letter. To participate in the public hearing call 1 (872) 240-3212 (Access Code: 894-977-781) or Join by link https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/894977781. If you are having issues connecting to the hearing please call (360) 416-1740. Notice is hereby given that the Skagit County Hearing Examiner will hold a public hearing on **Wednesday, November 18, 2020** at **9:00 a.m**. or soon thereafter, for the purpose of determining the following:

a. **Critical Areas Variance PL20-0181.** Shell Puget Sound Refinery requests to reduce the buffer on a Category IV wetland to expand an existing impounding basin to provide additional capacity for stormwater runoff. The existing basin measures approximately 280 feet long by 65 feet wide and the expansion would increase capacity to 46,500 cubic feet. A wetland is adjacent to the existing basin and the expansion would reduce the buffer from 50 feet to 15 feet for approximately 150 feet. The area available for the basin expansion is limited due to roads, LNG pipelines, and a railroad that surround the project site. The proposed project is located within a portion of the property described as parcel number P33502. The site is located at 8505 South Texas Road within a portion of the SW ¼ of Section 33, Township 35 N, Range 2 E, W.M. Staff Contact: Leah Forbes, Senior Planner

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If you would like to speak at the hearing, please contact Stevee Kivi at (360) 416-1740 or skivi@co.skagit.wa.us to sign up.

Comments must be received by Planning and Development Services **no later than 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, November 17, 2020 or be presented at the public hearing**. E-mail comments may be submitted with the PDS website under the current legal notices tab or to the Office of the Hearing Examiner.

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