

SKAGIT COUNTY PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
NOTICE OF DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION AND SEPA COMMENT PERIOD
For
Cascade Natural Gas
File #'s **PL23-0085 and PL23-0205**

Notice is hereby given that on February 16, 2023, Kathleen Campbell, on behalf of Cascade Natural Gas Corporation (CNG), filed an independent State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) checklist #PL23-0085, and on April 12, 2023 submitted an Administrative Special Use Permit #PL23-0205, for the Anacortes Lateral Upgrade and Replacement Project. The project proposal is to replace approximately 6.4 miles of existing 8-inch steel transmission pipeline with a 20-inch steel (cathodically protected) transmission pipeline primarily within the existing alignment, and easements, between Sapp Road (Sedro-Woolley) and Pulver Road (Burlington). CNG also operates a 16-inch steel transmission line that was installed in 1973 in the same existing easement. The Anacortes lateral is in need of reinforcement to meet end-of-line delivery pressures and to continue to provide reliable service to Cascade's customers served by this lateral. The proposed project is primarily located within the Agricultural-Natural Resource Lands (Ag-NRL) zoning designation in unincorporated Skagit County, but also includes a connection to the regulator station within the City of Burlington along the southwest portion of the project. Additionally, the northeast portion of the project runs through the city limits of Sedro-Woolley and the Urban Reserve Residential (URR) zoning designation for the Sedro-Woolley Urban Growth Area (UGA). A letter of completeness was not issued and the SEPA review was determined to be complete for review purposes on May 2, 2023.

The project is proposed between Sapp Road (Sedro-Woolley) on the northeast end and Pulver Road (Burlington) near the intersection of Pulver and Josh Wilson Road on the southwest end. Beginning in Sedro-Woolley adjacent to 23361 East Jones Road (at approximately 48.516439 latitude and -122.238490 longitude) and proceeding southwesterly, passing north of the City of Burlington, and ending near 11230 Pulver Road, Burlington, within a portion of Sections 13, 14, 20 -24, 29, and 30, Township 35N, Range 4E W.M., situated within Skagit County, Washington.

A completed Environmental Checklist, site plan, and other application materials are on file with Skagit County Planning and Development Services. This information is available to the public on request. Other governmental approvals or permits that will be required for this proposal from Skagit County Planning and Development Services include: Flood Area Development and Utility permit(s).

A decision on the application will be made within 120 days of the date the application was determined complete, which was 5-2-23. A public hearing before the Skagit County Hearing Examiner is not required for this project. Any person desiring to express his or her views or to be notified of the action taken on this application should notify Brandon Black in writing of his or her interest within Fifteen (15) days of the date of publication of this notice which is 5-4-23. Failure to respond within the comment period could result in loss of the right to appeal. The file can be electronically viewed by contacting Planning and Development Services at PDS@skagit.wa.us or at the Continental Place address and phone number listed below.

Written comments must be received no later than 4:30 pm on: **May 19, 2023.**

Email correspondence **will not be accepted**, however, comments may be submitted via the PDS website under the "recent legal notices" tab. (www.skagitcounty.net/pdscomments)

The Lead Agency expects to issue a DNS for this proposal and the Optional DNS process is being used (WAC 197-11-355). **This may be the only opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of the proposal.**

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Transmitted to the Skagit Valley Herald and Mailed to applicant 5-2-23

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