

# SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

## ***Purpose of checklist:***

Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

## ***Instructions for applicants:***

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. You may use "not applicable" or "does not apply" only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown. You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

## ***Instructions for Lead Agencies:***

Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

## ***Use of checklist for nonproject proposals:*** [\[help\]](#)

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B plus the SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT ACTIONS (part D). Please completely answer all questions that apply and note that the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proponent," and "affected geographic area," respectively. The lead agency may exclude (for non-projects) questions in Part B - Environmental Elements –that do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

## **A. Background** [\[help\]](#)

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable: [\[help\]](#)

**4th Street/Academy Way (West Side School District Bicycle and Sidewalk Improvements)**

2. Name of applicant: [\[help\]](#)

**City of College Place**

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person: [\[help\]](#)

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4. Date checklist prepared: [\[help\]](#)

**August 15, 2017**

5. Agency requesting checklist: [\[help\]](#)

**City of College Place**

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable): [\[help\]](#)

**Construction to commence by June 30, 2018 at latest unless expanded grant awards are available.**

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain. [\[help\]](#)

**Walla Walla University may opt to add additional sidewalk areas and amenities (streetlights, street tree etc.) outside of south side of project at a later date.**

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal. [\[help\]](#)

**National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) documentation will be prepared. Geotechnical and stormwater reports will also be prepared. A traffic study by Walla Walla University students was prepared June 6, 2017. A Traffic Impact Analysis (TIA) prepared in January 2007 for the Homestead Acres planned unit development to the west of the project included the Whitman Drive/Academy Way, Academy Way/4<sup>th</sup> Street and 4<sup>th</sup> Street/Davis intersections. In lieu of a cultural resources and historical review, WSDOT has found the project meets exemptions A-1, A-22, and A-23 of FHWA's Section 106 programmatic agreement .**

*NEPA only  
if Federal  
Dollars Involved*

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain. [\[help\]](#)

**Aside from future funding applications, we do not know of any pending governmental approvals directly impacting the proposed project.**

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known. [\[help\]](#)

**Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act consultation, Washington  
State Department of Archeology and Historic Preservation  
State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Determination, City of College Place  
National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) decision from WSDOT/FHWA  
Construction Stormwater General Permit (NPDES)  
Grading Permit (site plan review/construction approval), City of College Place**

11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.) [\[help\]](#)

**The City of College Place is proposing improvements to approximately 0.5 miles with new curb, gutter, and sidewalk to be constructed on 4th St from Davis Ave to Academy Way and on Academy Way from 4th Street to Whitman Drive (some existing to remain). New bicycle lanes/shared use lanes will be constructed on both Academy Way and 4th Street. Driveways and ADA ramps will be constructed throughout the project. All new facilities will be constructed to existing ADA standards. Additionally, the road surface will be improved to concrete-treated base and a subsequent hot mix asphalt wear course applied. The project includes stormwater facilities to address run-off from the project.**

12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist. [\[help\]](#)

**The project is located in the City of College Place on 4<sup>th</sup> Street from Davis Avenue to Academy Way and on Academy Way from 4<sup>th</sup> Street to Whitman Drive. Construction activity is expected to be limited to the City's right-of-way and approximately 15 feet to either side as necessary to address match back of grades and driveway approaches.**

**B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS** [\[help\]](#)

**1. Earth** [\[help\]](#)

a. General description of the site: [\[help\]](#)

(circle one)  Flat,  rolling,  hilly,  steep slopes,  mountainous, other \_\_\_\_\_

**The project occupies an existing road bed with shoulders and/or existing sidewalks to either side. Residential and multifamily homes about the project to the north of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and the east of Academy Way.**

b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)? [\[help\]](#)

**Approximately 5% or less.**

c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils. [\[help\]](#)

**Pedigo silt loam (PmA), 0-3 percent slopes; Umapine silt loam (UmA), 0-3 percent slopes; Umapine silt loam, leached surface (UpA), 0 – 3 percent slopes. No significant removals of soils expected.**

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe. [\[help\]](#)

**The City of College Place CAO Potential Liquefaction Susceptibility map identifies the project areas as having “moderate to high” liquefaction susceptibility.**

**The City of College Place CAO Potential Water Erosion Susceptibility map identifies the project corridor as having a “high” water erosion hazard.**

**The City of College Place CAO Potential Wind Erosion Susceptibility map identifies the project corridor as having a “moderate” wind erosion hazard.**

e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. Indicate source of fill. [\[help\]](#)

**The purpose of this project is a complete roadway reconstruction. Curb, gutter, sidewalks, and driveways meeting ADA requirements will be reconstructed where necessary and installed where they are missing currently. The project will mostly be constructed within the existing right-of-way, except where additional property is anticipated for ADA improvements. New storm water system will be installed within the roadways.**

**The area of disturbance along SW 4<sup>th</sup> Street and SW Academy Way will be approximately 50-65 feet wide by 2,960 feet long. The depth of disturbance will be 1.5 feet deep for the road construction, and approximately 7 feet deep where the storm drain system will be installed. All trenches will be excavated to a width of approximately 4 to 5 feet.**

**Excavation of the existing roadway is estimated at 8,000 cubic yards. Any fill needed will originate from the on-site excavation and the contractor's rock quarry.**

f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

**No long-term erosion is anticipated as a result of the proposed project. Some minor short-term erosion during construction could occur in cleared areas from wind and water; however, the incorporation of erosion control measures should significantly reduce or eliminate the potential for construction-related erosion. After the project is operational, most of the project area will be covered by**

**impervious paved surfaces connected to storm water management facilities or pervious areas capable of handling runoff or infiltration without resulting in significant erosion.**

- g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)? [\[help\]](#)

**Currently, approximately 95 percent of the site is covered with impervious surfaces. The project will install approximately 0.4 acres of additional impervious surfacing.**

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**During construction, Best Management Practices (BMPs) and other requirements imposed by City of College Place and state regulations will be used to the extent required to control erosion. These practices include using silt fences to retard, slow, and/or filter runoff and the use of stabilized construction access points.**

## 2. Air [\[help\]](#)

- a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known. [\[help\]](#)

**During site preparation and heavy construction periods, construction activities will generate onsite dust from equipment operation. The dust will be created from demolition of existing roadway features, clearing, ground excavation, cut-and-fill operations, and construction of the proposed roadway improvements. These effects are anticipated to be temporary, minor, and largely contained at and within short distances from the proposed project site. Construction equipment and vehicles, construction workers' vehicles, and traffic delays from construction activities will generate minor amounts of localized carbon monoxide and particulate emissions. These emissions will slightly degrade local air quality, but the resulting pollutant concentrations will be outweighed by emissions from traffic normally in and around the project area and will be short term.**

**Some construction activities, such as paving operations using tar and asphalt, could cause odors detectable to some people away from the active areas of construction. Construction contractors will be required to comply with Ecology regulations for emissions of odor-bearing air contaminants and any effects will be short term. The proposed road improvements will not contribute to heavier traffic volumes than are already present in the project area. The project is expected to improve traffic flow through the area and accommodate pedestrian activities, which will reduce traffic-related emissions in the long term.**

- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

**No off-site sources of emissions or odor have been identified that will affect the proposed project.**

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**Construction-industry BMPs will be incorporated into construction plans and contractor specifications, which may include, but are not limited to, the following: spraying exposed soil with water, covering exposed soil during grading and pre-seeding periods, covering all trucks transporting materials, wetting materials in trucks, providing wheel washers for trucks traveling off-site, and planting any proposed landscaping vegetation as soon as possible after grading. The project is not located in an air quality maintenance or non-attainment area and no significant air quality impacts are expected; therefore, other than means required by local regulations to control construction-related emissions, no additional operational measures to control emissions are necessary or proposed.**

3. **Water** [\[help\]](#)

a. Surface Water:

1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into. [\[help\]](#)

**No.**

2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans. [\[help\]](#)

**No.**

3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material. [\[help\]](#)

**None.**

4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known. [\[help\]](#)

**No.**

5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan. [\[help\]](#)

**No.**

6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge. [\[help\]](#)

**No.**

b. Ground Water:

1) Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities

withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known. [\[help\]](#)

**No.**

- 2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals. . . ; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve. [\[help\]](#)

**None.**

c. Water runoff (including stormwater):

- 1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe. [\[help\]](#)

**Stormwater from project sidewalk and road surfaces will be collected and discharged to stormwater facilities designed in conformance with the Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington.**

- 2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

**Waste material stored and used along the project corridor will likely be petroleum fuel products associated with construction, operation, road maintenance, and transportation. Release of waste material could potentially occur from accidental fuel leaks or spills.**

- 2) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe. [\[help\]](#)

**Yes, most runoff from the road that is currently dispersed along the adjoining frontage will instead be collected in catch basins and routed to an below grade infiltration facility.**

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**The amount of impervious area contributing runoff to the sides of the roads will be increased on account of the additional sidewalk and road areas; however, installation of below-grade treatment and infiltration facilities is expected to reduce and or eliminate all runoff from discharging from the project onto adjacent properties.**

#### 4. **Plants** [\[help\]](#)

a. Check the types of vegetation found on the site: [\[help\]](#)

\_\_\_\_deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other

\_\_\_\_evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other

- shrubs
- grass
- pasture
- crop or grain
- Orchards, vineyards or other permanent crops.
- wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other
- water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other
- other types of vegetation

b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered? [\[help\]](#)

**Some grass along adjacent properties is expected to be remove. Grass disturbed or removed on private property will be replaced.**

c. List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site. [\[help\]](#)

**None.**

d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**Disturbed grass areas outside impervious improvements will be replanted with grass or sod.**

e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site. [\[help\]](#)

**None**

## 5. Animals [\[help\]](#)

a. List any birds and other animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site. [\[help\]](#)

Examples include:

birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:  
 mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:  
 fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other \_\_\_\_\_

**This is urban residential area; however, birds, including songbirds and some raptor species as well as deer have been observed on an infrequent basis in the surrounding vicinity.**

b. List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site. [\[help\]](#)

**No threatened or endangered species have the potential to be impacted by the project. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service lists the following threatened and endangered species as potentially being present in Walla Walla County:**



- Western U.S. distinct population segment (DPS) yellow-billed cuckoo (*Coccyzus americanus*). Threatened. The preferred habitat of this species is dense riparian forests, which are not present in the project area.
- Columbia River DPS bull trout (*Salvelinus confluentus*). Threatened. No in-water work is planned for this project.

The National Marine Fisheries Service lists several anadromous salmonid species as occurring in Walla Walla County, which is part of the Interior Columbia Domain; these include Snake River Sockeye (Endangered), Snake River Fall-Run Chinook (Threatened), Snake River Spring/Summer-Run Chinook (Threatened), Snake River Steelhead (Threatened), Upper Columbia River Spring-Run Chinook (Endangered), Upper Columbia River Steelhead (Threatened), and Middle Columbia River Steelhead (Threatened). The fact that there are no water bodies within the project limits and no in water work planned, none of these species will be impacted by the project.

The Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife Priority Habitats and Species website identifies records of federally listed species known to occur in the area. In this location they listed one species Ferruginous Hawk which is listed at the state level as Threatened. Since no trees are planned to be removed as part of this project, the species will not be impacted by the proposed project.

c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain. [\[help\]](#)

**The project is within the Pacific Flyway for migratory birds. The project is not anticipated to impact migratory birds.**

d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**None due to rare/non-existent wildlife presence.**

e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site. [\[help\]](#)

**None**

6. **Energy and Natural Resources** [\[help\]](#)

a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc. [\[help\]](#)

**Electricity, gasoline, and diesel fuel will be used by construction equipment and support/worker vehicles during construction.**

b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

**This roadway project will not affect the potential use of solar energy by nearby properties. The proposed project will not shade adjacent properties.**

b. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**Construction vehicle idling will be minimized to reduce fuel consumption.**

7. **Environmental Health** [\[help\]](#)

a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so, describe. [\[help\]](#)

1) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses. [\[help\]](#)

**None known.**

2) Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity. [\[help\]](#)

**There are existing natural gas mains within the ROW. Conflicts with the mains are not anticipated.**

3) Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project. [\[help\]](#)

**During construction, the potential exists for accidental spills of small quantities of petroleum products used in support of construction, such as diesel fuel or lubricating oil. If appropriate preventive or remediation measures are not taken, these products could infiltrate into the ground, which could lead to contamination of soils and ultimately groundwater. Contaminants in dust could be dispersed over larger areas and could therefore be inhaled by humans and animals or ultimately distributed for uptake by plants.**

4) Describe special emergency services that might be required. [\[help\]](#)

**No special emergency services will be required for the proposal. No additional police, firefighting, or other emergency services, other than those that will normally be required at a construction site, will be necessary.**

5) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**BMPs will be used during construction to prevent spills. Prior to construction, professional utility locate services will be contacted to mark utilities along the corridor. All refueling will be conducted away from storm water facilities. During construction, any spill of materials such as diesel fuel and lubricating oil will be cleaned up immediately. Dust control measures such as soil wetting will be implemented during construction. If hazardous or toxic materials are encountered during construction, work will be stopped, and the site supervisor will be informed. The site supervisor will contact a qualified environmental specialist to assess the situation. Interim remedial actions and long-term remediation of hazardous or toxic material will be accomplished in compliance with the State Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), WAC 173-340.**

b. Noise [\[help\]](#)

- 1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)? [\[help\]](#)

**Noise in the project area will not affect the proposed roadway project.**

- 2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)?  
Indicate what hours noise would come from the site. [\[help\]](#)

**Construction of the proposed project will generate short-term increases in noise levels at adjacent and nearby areas. Construction noise sources will include earth-moving equipment, generators, trucks, grinding and impact equipment. No pile driving or blasting will be necessary for construction of the project. Construction activities are expected to occur during daytime hours except that work hours may be extended into the evening and early morning hours to mitigate educational institution impacts and expedite the project.**

- 3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**Construction-industry BMPs will be incorporated into construction plans and contractor specifications, which could include the following: fitting construction equipment engines with adequate mufflers, intake silencers, or engine enclosures; turning off construction equipment when not in use; and locating stationary equipment as far as possible away from sensitive receptors. Construction activities associated with the proposed project will not occur during nighttime hours.**

8. Land and Shoreline Use [\[help\]](#)

- a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe. [\[help\]](#)

**The project area consists primarily of paved urban roadway with adjacent multi-family residential and public reserve (Walla Walla University, Walla Walla Valley Academy, Rogers Elementary School) land uses. This is a reconstruction of an existing transportation corridor. The project will not affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent property.**

- b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses as a result of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use? [\[help\]](#)

**No.**

- 1) Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how: [\[help\]](#)

**There are no working farms or forest land located within the project or adjacent to the project limits.**

- c. Describe any structures on the site. [\[help\]](#)

**The site is a paved urban roadway and public street right-of-way which does not contain any buildings. Residential and institutional (education) structures lie adjacent to the project area.**

- d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what? [\[help\]](#)

**No existing structures will be demolished. Existing power poles will be relocated within the existing right-of-way.**

- e. What is the current zoning classification of the site? [\[help\]](#)

**The project area proper is within city right-of-way; however, construction activities and work is expected to extend several feet into properties on the east side of Academy Way and north side of 4<sup>th</sup> Street designated as a R-60 Single Family zone and into the west side of Academy Way and the south side of 4<sup>th</sup> Street designated as a PR- Public Reserve zone as necessary to match road and street grades and construct driveway approaches**

- f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site? [\[help\]](#)

**The project site is within public street right-of-way. The City of College Place comprehensive plan zoning classifications for land adjacent to the project corridor are as follows:**

**(PR) Public Reserve  
(RM) Multifamily Residential**

- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site? [\[help\]](#)

**The project area is not located within a Shoreline Master Program jurisdiction area.**

- h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify. [\[help\]](#)

**The City of College Place CAO Potential Liquefaction Susceptibility map identifies the project areas as having “moderate to high” liquefaction susceptibility.**

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- i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project? [\[help\]](#)

**Not applicable since the completed project is the roadway improvements.**

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace? [\[help\]](#)

**None.**

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**Because the project will not create displacement impacts, none are proposed.**

l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**Implementation of the proposed project is consistent with the transportation comprehensive planning goals and policies to provide safe and efficient transportation and circulation, and to establish and enhance pedestrian facilities for the City.**

m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**Because the project will not impact agricultural or forest lands, none are proposed.**

9. **Housing** [\[help\]](#)

a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. [\[help\]](#)

**No housing units will be provided as part of the proposed project.**

b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. [\[help\]](#)

**No housing units will be eliminated as part of the proposed project.**

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**Because this project will not result in impacts to housing, none are proposed.**

10. **Aesthetics** [\[help\]](#)

a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed? [\[help\]](#)

**No new structures are proposed, existing power poles will be relocated to the back of sidewalk. No increase in height is anticipated.**

b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed? [\[help\]](#)

**No views will be altered or obstructed as part of the project.**

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**Addition of curb, gutter and sidewalk to replace unimproved shoulders is expected to improve aesthetics along the corridor.**

11. **Light and Glare** [\[help\]](#)

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur? [\[help\]](#)

**During construction, temporary lighting could be used by contractors during early morning hours (before 8:00 a.m.) or late afternoon hours (after 4:00 p.m.) when needed. The lights will be turned off at the end of the workday except that temporary lighting could be extended into the evening and early morning in the event work hours are extended to mitigate residential and educational impacts (for example if the project was accelerated or staged to reduce traffic impacts during school pick-up and drop-off hours).**

- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views? [\[help\]](#)

**The project will provide upgraded streetlight fixtures at intersections and other locations as deemed necessary along the corridor as a safety measure for vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian traffic.**

- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal? [\[help\]](#)

**Residential developments and educational institution facilities and fields located adjacent to the project corridor provide off-site light sources, but they will not affect the proposed project.**

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**No increase in light or glare is expected by end of project. None proposed.**

12. **Recreation** [\[help\]](#)

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity? [\[help\]](#)

**The three schools have athletic fields that are either directly or indirectly accessed from the project. The Walla Walla University Gym also abuts the project on the south side of 4<sup>th</sup> Street and provides indoor court and swimming recreational opportunities.**

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe. [\[help\]](#)

**No recreational uses will be displaced by the proposed project.**

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any: [\[help\]](#)

**No measures are proposed.**

13. **Historic and cultural preservation** [\[help\]](#)

- a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers ? If so, specifically describe. [\[help\]](#)

**One building over 45 years old has been previously recorded at 414 4th Street, however, the building has previously been determined not eligible for inclusion on national, state, or local preservation registers.**

- b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources. [\[help\]](#)

**No known landmarks, features, or other evidence of Tribal or historic use or occupation are located within the project area; however, the general area has long been utilized by Native American tribes. Traditional summer camps and gathering and grazing areas exist within and to the north of College Place's current city limits (Hunn et al. 2015).**

- c. Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc. [\[help\]](#)

**The Washington Information System for Architectural and Archaeological Records Data was accessed on August 11, 2017, to determine the presence of previously recorded historic properties or archaeological sites within or near the project vicinity, as well as to determine the potential for cultural and historic resources on or near the area of potential effect (APE). No cultural resource or historic property inventories have previously been conducted in or adjacent to the project area. Historic General Land Office Survey Plat maps were also inspected for potential historic resources in the area; no evidence of such was found.**

**The Statewide Predictive Model based on environmental factors with archaeological resources was also checked; it lists the project as occurring in an area generally perceived to possess a high risk to very high risk for archaeological resources.**

- d. Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required. [\[help\]](#)

**No loss, changes to, or disturbance of cultural resources is anticipated. An Inadvertent Discovery Plan will be prepared. In the event of an unanticipated discovery of cultural resources, the property owner, construction contractor, and any subsequent tenant or**

owner, will be governed by the statutory provisions protecting cultural resources in Chapter 27.53 of the Revised Code of Washington.

14. **Transportation** [\[help\]](#)

- a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any. [\[help\]](#)

**Public streets and highways within the project corridor consist of two Urban Major Collectors (SW 4<sup>th</sup> Street and SW Academy Way) and neighborhood street intersections. Access to the existing roads will be maintained by the completed project; detours will be provided during construction.**

- b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop? [\[help\]](#)

**Valley Transit maintains a transit stop just north of the northeast corner of the 4<sup>th</sup> Street/Academy Way intersection.**

- c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate? [\[help\]](#)

**Currently parking is allowed along both sides of SW 4th Street and on the east side of SW Academy Way between SW 1st Street and Whitman Drive. The completed project will not have any on street parking on SW Academy Way or the south side of SW 4th Street. On-street parking will be allowed on the north side of SW 4th Street.**

- d. Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private). [\[help\]](#)

**The existing roadway surface will be reconstructed. Existing non-compliant pedestrian ramps will be replaced. New curb, gutter and sidewalks will be constructed on SW 4<sup>th</sup> Street. The improvements will be located within the City right-of-way.**

- e. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe. [\[help\]](#)

**The proposed project will not use or occur in the immediate vicinity of water, rail or air transportation.**

- f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates? [\[help\]](#)

**No additional trips will be generated by the project.**



g. Will the proposal interfere with, affect or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe. [help]

**No. The proposed project will not interfere with, affect or be affected by the movement of agricultural or forest products on roads or streets in the area.**

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any: [help]

**The project is designed to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety along the project corridors. Detours will be provided during construction.**

15. **Public Services** [help]

a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe. [help]

**The project will not generate a need for additional public services.**

b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any. [help]

**None proposed.**

16. **Utilities** [help]

a. Circle utilities currently available at the site: [help]


electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other \_\_\_\_\_

c. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed. [help]

**Existing utility lines in the corridor will be maintained, replaced, relocated or extended as necessary to accommodate the proposed roadway improvements. A new storm system will be installed to reduce/eliminate runoff from the project.**

**C. Signature** [help]

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature:   
Name of signee ROBERT D. GORDON  
Position and Agency/Organization CITY ENGINEER - CITY OF COLLEGE PLACE.  
Date Submitted: 8/15/17

## D. supplemental sheet for nonproject actions [\[help\]](#)

(IT IS NOT NECESSARY to use this sheet for project actions)

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?

Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:

3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?

Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:

4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection; such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?

Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:

5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:

6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?

Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:

7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.