



**Snohomish County
Public Works**

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August 17, 2010

RE: 198th Street SE New Alignment

Dear Resident/Reviewer:

Snohomish County is proposing a road improvement project in your neighborhood. The proposal would construct a new east-west roadway between 35th Avenue SE and Jewell Road and the skewed intersection of York Road and Jewell Road would be modified.

A public meeting was held for this project on November 6, 2008, to involve the community in the development of the project. Newsletters were also mailed to area residents in July, September, October, and December 2008, in February 2009, and a postcard in April 2010. This project is currently in the design phase. Funds are not yet available for construction.

This letter is to let you know about this upcoming project and that an environmental review of the project has been completed. An Environmental Checklist and Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) have been issued (see attached DNS). The DNS states that no significant environmental impacts are anticipated from construction of this project.

Copies of the Environmental Checklist are available during normal business hours from Snohomish County Public Works at the address above or visit www.snoco.org and type "198th Place SE /35th Ave SE" in the search box.

Comments on this project must be submitted by September 1, 2010, to Stephanie Cotton at 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, M/S 607, Everett, WA 98201 or by email: stephanie.cotton@snoco.org. For more information, you can contact me at 425.388.3488 extension 4687.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Cotton, Senior Environmental Planner
TES/Environmental Services Section

Attachments: DNS



Snohomish County Public Works

Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

PROJECT NAME: 198th Street SE New Alignment

PROJECT NUMBER: RC 1543, UPI #08-0053-1

COMMENTS DUE: Comments must be received by September 1, 2010

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL:

Snohomish County Public Works proposes road improvements at 198th Place SE and 35th Avenue SE and at the intersection of York Road and Jewell Road. The project would construct a new east-west roadway between 35th Avenue SE and Jewell Road. The skewed intersection of York Road and Jewell Road would also be modified. The proposed improvements include:

- Approximately 1,200 feet of new roadway would be constructed from the intersection of 198th Place SE and 35th Avenue SE eastward to Jewell Road. The new roadway would have two twelve foot lanes. A 5-foot landscape strip and a 5-foot porous concrete sidewalk would be constructed on the north side of the road.
- The project would install a new signal at the intersection of 35th Avenue SE and 198th Place SE. The intersection would be widened to accommodate left turn lanes and a bike lane. A 5-foot landscape strip, and a sidewalk would also be constructed on each side of 35th Avenue SE, along the length of the improvements.
- A one-lane roundabout would be constructed to connect the new 198th Street SE roadway to Jewell Road, just north of 199th Place SE. Approximately 600 feet of Jewell Road from 199th Street SE, extending north, would be realigned to accommodate the new roundabout.
- A stormwater detention facility would be constructed at the north east corner of the new roundabout. Stormwater would be collected from the paved surfaces by catch basins and conveyed by a pipe network to this new facility to provide flow control and quality treatment.
- Turns would be limited to right turn only at the intersection of Jewell Road and York Road.

Additional right-of-way would be acquired from 10 to 12 parcels in order to construct the proposed improvements. The minimum width of the proposed roadway right-of-way is 60 feet.

Snohomish County Public Works hosted an open house on November 6, 2008, to involve the community in the development of the project. Newsletters were also mailed to area residents in July, September, October, and December 2008, in February 2009, and a postcard in April 2010. The design memorandum was completed in July 2009 with the preferred project alternative as described above. For more information please visit www.snoco.org and search for: "198th Place SE /35th Ave SE".

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL:

The project site is located in unincorporated Snohomish County at the intersection of 198th Place SE and 35th Avenue SE in Section 21, Township 27N, Range 5E, W.M., just northeast of the City of Bothell, Snohomish County, WA.

PROPONENT AND LEAD AGENCY: Snohomish County Public Works

THRESHOLD DETERMINATION:

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 and other information on file with this agency. This information is available for public review on request.

This Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of issuance (stated on page one of this document). Written comments may be submitted to Snohomish County Public Works at the address below.

The issuance of this DNS should not be interpreted as acceptance or approval of the subject proposals presented. Snohomish County reserves the right to deny or approve said proposal subject to conditions if it is determined to be in the best interests of the County and/or necessary to the general health, safety, and welfare of the public to do so.

Appeals: This DNS, along with the subsequent decision by the County to pursue the described action, may be appealed in the Superior Court of Snohomish County, at Everett, Washington. This DNS may be appealed only when such appeal is combined with the appeal of the underlying action pursuant to SCC 30.61.300. A Notice of Action describing the final decision to approve the underlying action by the County will be mailed to you and published in the County's paper of record (The Herald) for two consecutive weeks. The notice of intent to commence a judicial appeal shall be filed with a filing with the Clerk of the Snohomish County Superior Court, 3000 Rockefeller Avenue, Everett, WA 98201-4046; phone: (425) 388-3466, within 21 days following the last week of publication in the paper.

CONTACT:

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POSITION/TITLE: Director, Snohomish County Public Works

DATE: 8-9-10 **SIGNATURE:** 

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Utilities:

Snohomish County PUD, Verizon, AT&T, Comcast, Alderwood Water and Sewer District, and Puget Sound Energy

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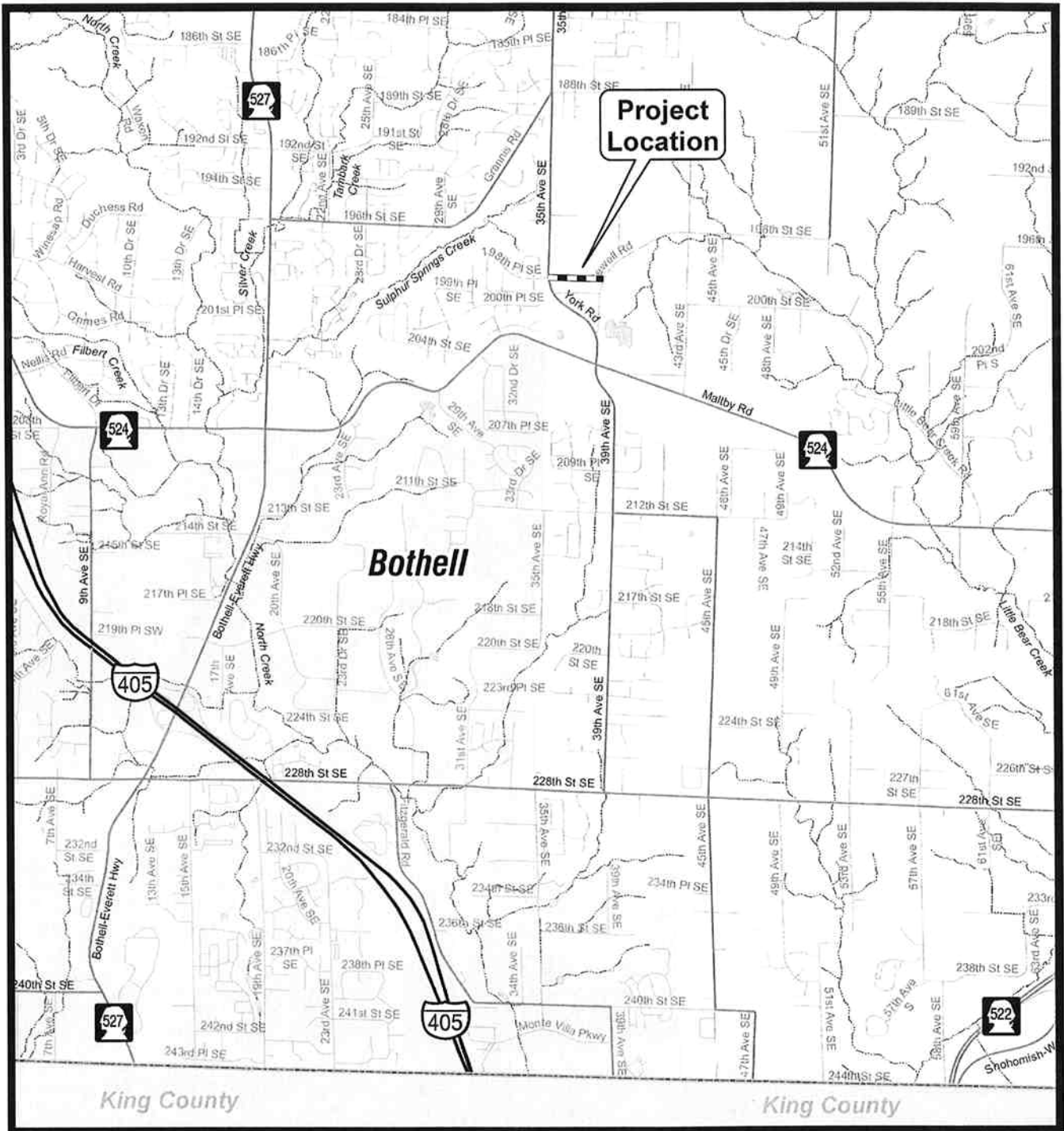
Property owners and residents within 1,000 feet of the site

Attachments:

SEPA Checklist

Vicinity Map

Aerial Map



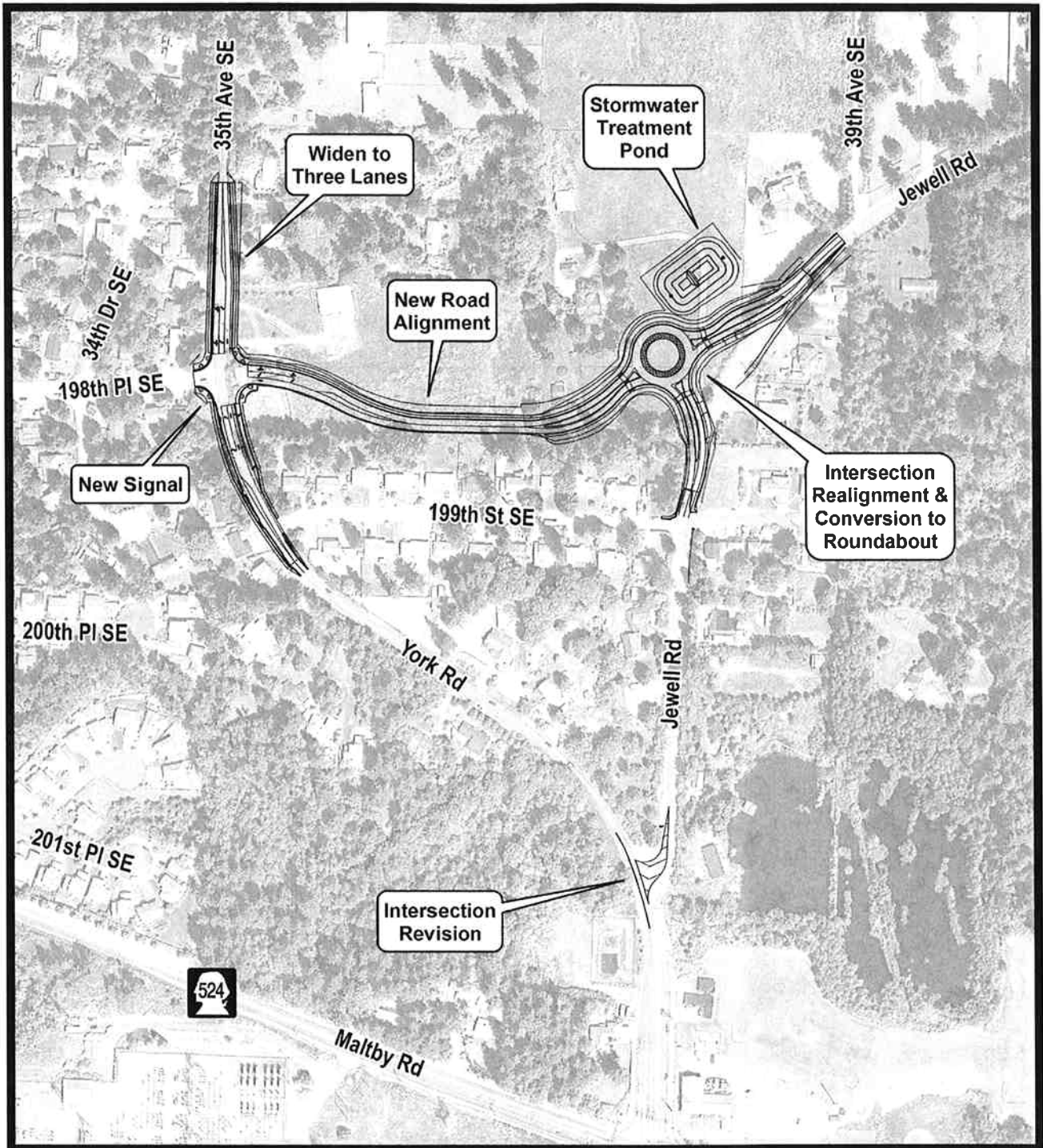
Key to Features:

-  Project Location
-  Arterial Roads
-  Waterbodies
-  Local Roads
-  Streams



0 1,000 Feet





Key to Features:

————— Proposed Improvements



0 1 Mile



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