

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:

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:

The City of Chewelah Shoreline Master Program 2022 Periodic Update

2. Name of applicant:

The City of Chewelah

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

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Phone: 509.935.8311*

4. Date checklist prepared:

December 13, 2022

5. Agency requesting checklist:

Department of Ecology and City of Chewelah

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

Non-project proposal, adoption of updated SMP language proposed for June 2023.

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.

The City of Chewelah Shoreline Master Program will be periodically reviewed, at a minimum every eight years, corresponding to the schedule in the Shoreline Management Act (SMA) (RCW 90.58.080). Amendments will be made as are necessary to reflect changing local circumstances, new information or improved data, and changes in State statutes and regulations.

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

Chewelah's Shoreline Master Program was last updated in 2009.

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.

None at this time.

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

The City Council, and the Department of Ecology and other applicable state agencies will review the proposed update under WAC 173-26-110.

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.)

The City of Chewelah will complete a periodic review of the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) that is consistent with requirements of the Shoreline Management Act (SMA), RCW 90.58 and its implementing rules, per WAC 173-26. It is the intent of this program for the protection of public health and safety, public and private property, and the functions and values of the shoreline ecological systems.

The purpose of the SMP periodic update is not to change the character and policy direction of the SMP but rather bring Chewelah into conformance with all applicable requirements and regulations.

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.

This is a city-wide non-project legislative action; it would apply to the entire shoreline area within the City of Chewelah boundary. This City of Chewelah is located in Stevens County.

B. Environmental Elements [\[HELP\]](#)

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

a. General description of the site:

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

If other: [Not Applicable, City wide non-project action](#)

b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

- 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

- f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

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

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

- b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action

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

- a. Surface Water: [\[help\]](#)

- 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.

Chewelah Creek runs through the city, along with two other smaller local streams.

- 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.

This periodic update encompasses all shoreline jurisdiction within the City of Chewelah, meaning those lands extending landward for two hundred feet as measured on a horizontal plane from the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM).

- 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- 4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- 5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- 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.

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b. Ground Water: [\[help\]](#)

- 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action. No groundwater withdrawal proposed.

- 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action. No waste material discharge proposed.

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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- 2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- 3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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

- a. Check the types of vegetation found on the site:

- 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

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- c. List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action. WDFW has listed occurrence of White-headed and Pileated woodpeckers within or near the city.

- b. List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action. WDFW has listed occurrence of White-headed and Pileated woodpeckers within or near the city, both protected species but not threatened or endangered. .

- c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any:

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- e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- c. 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:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- 1) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

4) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

5) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

b. Noise

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

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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.

Chewelah Creek is the only shoreline with environmental designations in the city. The creek's shoreline designations include Urban Commercial, Shoreline Residential, and Urban Conservancy.

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?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

c. Describe any structures on the site.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?

Zoning designations along Chewelah Creek include R-1 Single-Family Residential, R-1B Single-Family Residences, R-B Retail Business, and CF Community Facility

f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?

Comprehensive plan designations along Chewelah Creek include Residential, Commercial/Retail, and Public & Community Uses.

g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and Chewelah Creek is the only shoreline with environmental designations in the city. The creek's shoreline designations include Urban Commercial, Shoreline Residential, and Urban Conservancy.

h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.

Not Applicable, Shoreline jurisdictions are classified as a critical area. Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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

a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

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?

Height restrictions within Shoreline jurisdiction are dependent on the Zoning and Use/Activity allowed. The tallest height limit would be 45 feet for Commercial, Industrial, or Utility development in Urban Commercial Shoreline designated areas.

- b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?

Residential regulations within shoreline jurisdiction require preservation of views and vistas. Regulations for other types of development require preservation of scenic views at minimum.

- b. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:

Residential regulations within shoreline jurisdiction require preservation of views and vistas. Regulations for other types of development require preservation of scenic views at minimum.

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

- a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

- d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action and the Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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

- a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

The Shoreline Management program guidelines includes a recreational element to include the preservation and enlargement of recreational opportunities, including but not limited to parks, beaches, and recreational areas.

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.

The Shoreline Management program guidelines includes a historical, cultural, scientific, and educational element to include the protection and restoration of buildings, sites, and areas having historic, cultural, scientific or educational values.

- 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- 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.

The Shoreline Management program guidelines includes a historical, cultural, scientific, and educational element to include the protection and restoration of buildings, sites, and areas having historic, cultural, scientific or educational values.

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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- 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?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- 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).

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

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

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- 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?

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

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

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

16. Utilities [\[help\]](#)

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site:
 electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system,
 other _____

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

- b. 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.

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action.

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: Malissa Paulsen
 Name of signee Malissa Paulsen
 Position and Agency/Organization SCJ Alliance on behalf of the City of Chewelah
 Date Submitted:

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?

Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

Policy 1.9 on Page 7 of the draft Shoreline Master Program states that all shoreline uses shall not cause a net loss of shoreline ecological function, and shall be located, designed, constructed, or maintained to avoid, reduce, or minimize adverse impacts to water quality and fish and wildlife resources.

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

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

Policy 1.9 on Page 7 of the draft Shoreline Master Program states that all shoreline uses shall not cause a net loss of shoreline ecological function, and shall be located, designed, constructed, or maintained to avoid, reduce, or minimize adverse impacts to water quality and fish and wildlife resources.

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

Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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

Goal 1.0 for Conservation on Page 8 of the draft SMP states to preserve, protect, and restore the unique renewable and non-renewable resources, or features of shorelines, and their associated ecological functions.

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?

Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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

Policy 1.9 on Page 7 of the draft Shoreline Master Program states that all shoreline uses shall not cause a net loss of shoreline ecological function, and shall be located, designed, constructed, or maintained to avoid, reduce, or minimize adverse impacts to water quality and fish and wildlife resources.

Goal 1.0 for Historical, Cultural, Scientific, and Educational themes on Page 9, of the draft SMP requires policies that protect, preserve, and restore important historical, cultural, scientific, and educational sites located along the shorelines of Chewelah for general public use and enjoyment.

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?

Shoreline Master Program regulations are designed to ensure enhancement of ecological functions of the shoreline.

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

Goal 1.0 for Shoreline Use specifically states that the associated policies with Shoreline Use need to establish standards for land use consistent with the Shoreline Management Act along the shorelines of Chewelah. With the overall design of land use patterns and location of activities and development in areas of the shoreline that will be compatible with adjacent uses and sensitive to existing shoreline environments (Page 6).

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

Not Applicable, City wide non-project action that regulates development.

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.

The purpose of the periodic update of the Shoreline Master Program is to stay consistent with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the shoreline environment. The periodic review of the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) is consistent with requirements of the Shoreline Management Act (SMA), RCW 90.58 and its implementing rules, per WAC 173-26.