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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
FOR 2025 WATER SYSTEM PLAN (WSP)**

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Name of Proposal:
Adoption of 2025 Water System Plan

Description of Proposal:

The proposal is to adopt the 2025 Water System Plan (WSP). The 2025 Water System Plan will fulfill the Cascade Water Alliance's responsibility to submit a plan to the Department of Health (DOH) that demonstrates a water system's ability to provide timely and reasonable water service to its current and future customers. The 2025 WSP addresses Cascade's current contracted water supply, infrastructure, Member supplies, water quality regulatory compliance, shortage management, water rights self-assessment, overall demand forecast, future sources of water supply and reclaimed water, water efficiency program and water savings goals, provides an updated list of capital facility projects likely to occur over the next 20 years, and evaluates the financial position of Cascade.

The planning period for the 2025 WSP will last between 2025 through the year 2028, during which time Cascade will develop and finalize the Tacoma Cascade Pipeline Facilities Plan. Cascade will then develop and submit a new 10-year Water System Plan to DOH with a planned submittal date of September 30, 2028.

Location of Proposal:

The location covered by the Plan includes the Cascade Water Alliance Service Area (which is the service area of its Members: the Cities of Bellevue, Issaquah, Kirkland, Redmond and Tukwila, Sammamish Plateau Water, and Skyway Water and Sewer District); facilities Cascade owns (including the White River – Lake Tapps Reservoir (WRLTR) Project and the Bellevue-Issaquah Pipeline; and the Place of Use associated with the WRLTR Project water rights (the combined service areas described in the most recent Water System Plans approved by the Washington State Department of Health for Cascade, the City of Seattle and the City of Tacoma). Wholesale water contracted from SPU originates in the Cedar and Tolt River Watersheds in the Cascade Mountains. Wholesale water contracted from TPU originates from the Green River watershed within the TPU service area.

Cascade Water Alliance has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030. This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public upon request.

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2), and the comment period will end on April 2, 2025. There is no agency appeal for this determination.

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