

Knutson Farms EIS schedule

Fall 2020

- Issue Determination of Significance and Scoping Notice
- EIS scoping

Winter 2020 through Summer 2021

- Prepare Draft EIS
- Issue Draft EIS
- Draft EIS public comment period

Fall/Winter 2021

- Prepare Final EIS
- Issue Final EIS

Scoping comment period: Nov. 17 – Dec. 18, 2020

Notification/outreach included:

- Email
- Mail
- Social media (high-impact)
- Legal notice
- City website
- Project website (online open house)

Comments accepted:

Online, voicemail, email, mail

Received a total of **301** comments.

Next public comment opportunity will be for DEIS in the fall.

Sessions

Users

Avg. Session Duration

Bounce Rate

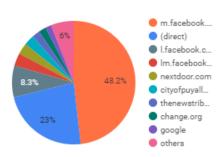
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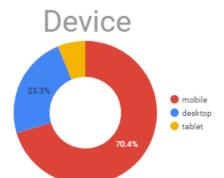
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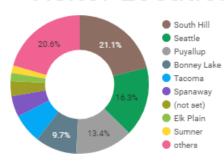
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Traffic Source





Visitor Location



	Sessions -	- Users					
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0 Nov 17	Nov 21	Nov 25	Nov 29	Dec 3	Dec 7	Dec 11	Dec 15

	Sections Reached	Total →
1.	Welcome	4,244
2.	Environmental review	2,977
3.	We want to hear from you!	2,057
4.	end of page	390

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Scoping comments summary

Environmental topics

Air quality: 184

Alternatives: 139

Cultural resources: 117

Land and Shoreline use: 198

Mitigation measures: 120

Noise: 188

Public Services and Utilities: 160

Transportation: **252**

Water, Plants, Animals: 188



Scoping comment themes

TRANSPORTATION/INCREASING TRAFFIC

- Volume of semi-trucks
- Current transportation infrastructure is not equipped to handle an increase in semi traffic
- Increased commute times
- Bike and pedestrian safety

FLOODING AND EROSION

 Potential for flooding and erosion in the area may pose a safety risk to warehouse employees and nearby residents if this increases the potential for mudslides

Scoping comment themes

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

- Stormwater runoff into the river
- Air quality
- Wildlife habitat
- Refuse from warehouses
- Wetland and river habitat degradation
- Some of the roads in the area have been replaced with permeable surfaces; concerned that leaks from semi-trucks will leach directly into the ground
- Respondents want to know what will happen to the fertile farming soils

DECREASE IN PROPERTY VALUES IN THE AREA

- Respondents mention the appeal of living in a rural area
- Economic costs and benefits for surrounding community



Scoping comment themes

PROXIMITY TO SCHOOLS AND RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS

- Families and children competing with semi-trucks when commuting to schools along this route.
- Exposure of children to noise and pollution during recess.

RURAL AESTHETIC QUALITY

- Impeding views of the natural landscape
- Loss of green space and the rural legacy of Puyallup

Next steps

PLANNED OUTREACH FOR **DEIS**

- Online Open House (knutsonfarmseis.org)
- City of Puyallup webpage update
- Notice to agencies and Tribal governments
- Email notice to SEPA list, City of Puyallup distribution list(s),
 and project email list
- Mail notice to residents, businesses, and organizations
 within ½ mile of the project area
- Issue Press Release
- Publish display ads on news outlets and publications (print and online)
- Social media share on City of Puyallup channels
- Roadway and/or site signage
- ☐ *Tentative* public meeting (pending pandemic guidelines)

KEY MILESTONES

Nov. 2020: 30-day Scoping public

comment period

Jan. 2021: Final Scoping

report published

Sept. 2021: Draft EIS published and

start of 30-day public

comment period

Dec. 2021: Final EIS published

