

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION  
AND REQUEST FOR COMMENTS  
ON APPLICATION NO. SL 17-0993 (Formerly SL 16- 0975) FOR  
SHORELINE SUBSTANTIAL DEVELOPMENT  
AND CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT**

Pursuant to RCW 90.58.140, WAC 173-27-110, CCC 19.20.020 and CCC 19.11.090, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County is commencing additional review of Shoreline Substantial Development Permit No. 16-07-3709 and Shoreline Condition Use Permit No. 16-07-3710 pursuant to remand from the Shoreline Hearings Board in SHB No. 17-10c. The County has assigned new permit numbers for this remand review as listed below, but intends to include all application materials, all public comments and the complete record from the prior permit review as part of its record on remand.

- Shoreline Substantial Development Permit Remand: 17-11-4020
- Shoreline Conditional Use Permit Remand: 17-11-2021

Northwest Innovation Works, Kalama, LLC (NWIW) and the Port of Kalama (Port) previously filed applications for shoreline substantial development, shoreline conditional use, critical areas, and floodplain permits within the Columbia River shoreline to construct a methanol manufacturing and marine export facility on approximately 100-acre North Port site adjacent to the Columbia River. The project on remand remains essentially the same as the project described in the original application materials. The project would consist of a methanol production facility, including accessory administrative, support, and infrastructure facilities located in upland areas; and a new marine terminal. The marine terminal would include the construction of a new dock that would require pile driving and dredging below the ordinary high water mark of the river at approximately river mile [RM] 72. The proposed marine terminal would accommodate the oceangoing vessels that would transport methanol to destination ports. It would also be designed to accommodate other vessel types and, when not in use for loading methanol, would be made available for general use by the Port, as a lay berth where vessels could moor while waiting to use other Port berths, and for topside vessel maintenance.

The proposed project is designed to produce methanol from natural gas received from the Kalama Lateral Pipeline project, a separate but related project to be constructed by Northwest Pipeline GP. Once produced, the methanol would be stored in non-pressurized aboveground storage tanks until transferred by pipeline from storage to the marine terminal where it will be loaded onto ships and sent to market.

The project is located at 888 Tradewinds Road, Kalama, WA, within; Sections 31 and 36, Township 7 North, Range 2 West, Willamette Meridian; Parcel #s 63302, 63304, 63305, 60822, 60831, 63301, and WH2500003, at approximately RM 72 of the Columbia River.

The application materials and referenced studies are available for review at COWLITZ COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND PLANNING, COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 207 FOURTH AVENUE NORTH, KELSO, WASHINGTON 98626 during regular business hours (Monday –Thursday 7 a.m. to 6:00 pm) and the County website at: [www.co.cowlitz.wa.us](http://www.co.cowlitz.wa.us).

On November 13, 2017, the applicant filed a letter with the County asking the County to commence review of the remanded shoreline permits and to consider the prior permit application materials and the complete record from that permit review as complete for purposes of remand. The County agreed and determined the materials to be complete for purposes of remand review pursuant to Cowlitz County Code 18.02.080 on January 29, 2018. The public has the right to comment on the application, receive written notice of, and participate in, public meetings or hearings on the project, and/or receive a copy of the decision made on the application. Persons wanting to comment, request notice of meetings, or copies of decisions should send written comments or requests to: COWLITZ COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND PLANNING, COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 207 FOURTH AVENUE NORTH, KELSO, WASHINGTON 98626, within thirty (30) days of the publication date of this notice (see below). Because all prior permit record materials, including all public comments will be included in this remand review, the public is encouraged not to duplicate comments sent previously, and to instead focus comments on the issues that are the subject of the remand review, specifically the greenhouse gas emissions and climate change impacts associated with the proposed action.

The Port of Kalama, acting as lead agency under the State Environmental Policy Act, and Cowlitz County, acting as co-lead agency under the State Environmental Policy Act published a Final Environmental Impact Statement on September 30, 2016. The Port of Kalama and Cowlitz County are completing a Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) and issued a scoping notice on January 30, 2018. Copies of the FEIS and other application materials are currently on file with the Port of Kalama and the Department of Building and Planning, and are also available for public review online at <http://kalamamfgfacilitysepa.com>.

A staff report, recommendation and all pertinent review comments will be transmitted to the Cowlitz County Hearing Examiner for action on the application at an open record public hearing to be scheduled after the close of the comment period and completion of the SEIS. Notice of the public hearing will be made at least 30 days prior to the public hearing. Interested parties have the right to appeal the Hearing Examiner's decision to the Shorelines Hearings Board per RCW 90.58.180.

DATE OF SHORELINE NOTICE: February 1, 2018

SHORELINE COMMENTS DUE: March 3, 2018

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