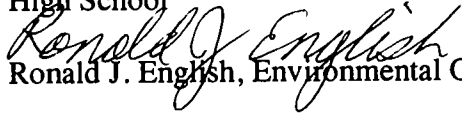


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To: Recipients of the SEPA Checklist
for the Athletic Field Upgrade at Ballard
High School

From: Ronald J. English, Environmental Officer



This Environmental Checklist and Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) discusses the potential environmental impacts that could result from the Ballard High School Athletic Field Improvements Project. The project is proposed to be constructed during spring and fall 2008.

The proposed project would include conversion of the existing soil-based natural turf field and cinder track to a permeable synthetic turf field surface and rubberized running track and field event surfaces. The project will include the earthwork and grading to create flatter surface areas. There will be additions to the existing storm drainage system including connection to existing catch basins, new perimeter catch basins, and storm drain piping. The field will drain vertically into an under-drainage system that will connect to the existing storm drainage system. The first construction will include import of specially graded crushed stone materials with an infilled synthetic turf surface. The existing running track will be renovated to a rubberized all weather surface. The track configuration will be revised to create more uniform dimensions with eight lanes. The project will also include portable bleacher seating for approximately 150 spectators and replacement of the existing perimeter fencing and gates.

The District has completed an environmental checklist evaluating the various elements of the environment affected by the project. The District solicited comments and incorporated them into this document. In the Determination of Non-Significance, the District's Environmental Officer has determined that the project will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment.

Comments on the Checklist were solicited on March 15, 2007. No comments were received. The District will not take action on this proposal until at least 14 days after publication of this decision. The SEPA Addendum can be viewed at <http://www.seattleschools.org/area/facilities/SchoolProjects/bhssepachecklist.pdf>.

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