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NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

DATE: September 17, 2026
TO: Agencies with Jurisdiction
FROM: City of Cle Elum, Planning Department
APPLICANT: City of Cle Elum, Planning Department
FILE NUMBER: SEPA-2026-005
LOCATION: City Limits
TAX PARCEL NUMBER: City Limits
DATE OF APPLICATION: September 17, 2026

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: City of Cle Elum Periodic Update to the Comprehensive Plan (Land Use, Housing, Capital Facilities, Utilities, Transportation, Climate, and Parks and Recreation Elements), Development Regulations (CEMC Titles 14, 16, 17), and Critical Areas Ordinance (CEMC Ch. 18.01).

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW: This is to notify agencies with jurisdiction and environmental expertise and the public that the City of Cle Elum, Planning Division, has been established as the lead agency, under WAC 197-11-926 for this project. The City of Cle Elum is issuing a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) on this project. WAC 197-11-340(2) is being used.

Required Permits: The following local, state, and federal permits/approvals may or will be needed for this project: Planning Commission Recommendation and Council Approval, Commerce 60-day review

Required Studies: N/A

Existing Environmental Documents: SEPA was last completed concurrently with previous code and Comprehensive Plan updates.

Development Regulations for Project Mitigation and Consistency Include: The State Environmental Policy Act, the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Cle Elum, and the Cle Elum Comprehensive Plan.

REQUEST FOR WRITTEN COMMENTS: Agencies, tribes, and the public are encouraged to review and comment on the proposed project and its probable environmental impacts. Please reference file number (SEPA-2026-005) and applicant's project name (Cle Elum Periodic Update) in any correspondence you submit. You can mail or submit your comments to:

**City of Cle Elum, Attention: Planning Department/Periodic Update
119 West First Street, Cle Elum, WA 98922**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING: The periodic update will be reviewed by the Planning Commission at an open record public hearing on Tuesday, October 6, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. or soon thereafter to receive testimony and make a recommendation to Cle Elum City Council regarding City of Cle Elum 2026 Comprehensive Plan, Critical Area Ordinance, and Development Regulation amendments. Any person desiring to express their views on this matter is invited to attend the public hearing or submit written comments to: City of Cle Elum, Planning Division, 119 W First Street, Cle Elum, WA 98922. **A separate public notice will be provided for the public hearing before the Cle Elum Planning Commission.**

NOTICE OF RECOMMENDATION: Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission will issue its recommendation within ten (10) business days. When available, a copy of the recommendation will be made available to parties of record. **A separate public notice will be provided for the public hearing before the Cle Elum City Council.**

The file containing the complete application is available for public review at the City of Cle Elum, 119 W First Street, Cle Elum, WA 98922. If you have any questions on this proposal, please contact Shannon Johnson, Planning Director, at (509) 674-2262, or email to: sjohnson@cleelum.gov

Linked: SEPA Checklist, Draft Comprehensive Plan Elements, Draft Development Regulations, Draft Critical Areas Ordinance: <https://cleelum.gov/comprehensiveplan/>