

**UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON  
UW FACILITIES, ASSET MANAGEMENT**

**DATE:** February 4, 2019

**SUBJECT:** SEPA Categorical Exemption

Per RCW 43.21C, WAC 197-11 and WAC 478-324-020 through 210, the University of Washington (UW) is the Lead Agency responsible for compliance with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) for projects which the University initiates. Public notice of categorical exemptions is not required per WAC 197-11-305(2) which states “an agency is not required to document that a proposal is categorically exempt.” Agencies may note on an application that a proposal is categorically exempt or place such a determination in agency files; however, for permitting purposes, this form documents the SEPA categorical exemption for the following project.

**NAME:** Parking Lot ADA Improvements

**LOCATION:** UW Seattle Campus (see attachment for parking lot map).

**HISTORY:** The project identifies primarily restriping, minor repaving, signage changes and in a few cases reconstruction to 85 existing parking lots on the Seattle Campus to bring them into ADA compliance.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** The University of Washington has entered into a consent decree to bring 85 parking lots into ADA compliance in three phases:

1. 35 parking facilities including lot N22 by 9/30/20
2. 43 parking facilities (including the 35 above) by 5/2/23
3. 77 parking facilities (including the 43 above) by 5/2/33

The following rationale was used to prioritize selection of the first phase of lots:

- Lots that no longer exist or are only used by UW vehicles.
- N22 plus the lots that cannot be made compliant but can be compensated for by stalls provided in N22.
- Lots that only require signage/striping to become compliant.
- Lots that with signage/striping will be compliant and provide for other non-accessible lots.
- A lot that provide accessibility to a key program (i.e. childcare) and can provide for other non-accessible lots.
- Lots that provide accessibility to a large population and key program with signage/striping.

- Lots that provide accessibility to a large population, key program and provide for equitable distribution of accessibility across campus (i.e. Central Campus Garage, Triangle Garage).

The work to be conducted will include:

- Removal or replacement of parking signage.
- Restriping of parking lot stalls on the pavement.
- Filling in minor fluctuation or lows points in a parking lot asphalt.
- Removal of existing asphalt, minor regrading to level the soil or base, and installing concrete or asphalt paving. If new or updated drainage features or facilities are required, these will be designed, permitted and installed.

**SEPA DETERMINATION:** This project is categorically exempt per WAC 197-11-800(3) of the State Environmental Policy Act. This section exempts repair, remodeling, maintenance or minor alteration of existing private or public structures, facilities or equipment, including utilities, involving no material expansions or changes to the existing use. No adverse environmental impacts are associated with this project.

# ATTACHMENT – UW PARKING MAP

