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SHORELINE EXEMPTION REQUEST FORM

Project Number (if known):		6581285		_	
Site Address: 322 W		/. Ewing Street			
Is project within the public right-of-way?					
✓ No Yes (if yes, ROW address will be assigned)					
Property Owner					
Name:	Seattle Pacific University (Contact: Dave Church, Facilities Mgmt)				
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City:	Seattle			State: WA	_ Zip: <u>98107</u>
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Applicant					
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Please describe Exemption type with associated code reference(s) and brief reason for Exemption (See pages 1 and 2 of Tip 209A and SMC 23.60A.020).

The proposal is exempt from the administrative requirement for a shoreline substantial development permit under SMC 23.60A.020. C.1., and WAC 173-27-040(2)(b). Please see also attached letter for background information. The proposal is also categorically exempt from SEPA review under SMC 25.05.800.C. SPU has carefully considered the requirements of SMC 23.60A.187.E.6 and considers the addition of light-transmitting features infeasible due to the unique use and safety requirements of the crew launching float. The situation for crew launching is unique and different from other boat launch docks: The crew teams must carry 4 and 8 man shells (8 man shells are 62 feet long and weigh more than 200 pounds) overhead and set them from the dock into the water. Launches are accomplished in the dark by crews wearing plated rowing shoes. The shells are delicate and easily damaged by surface contact. A uniform dock surface is required.

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Description of proposed project, including a description of the location and size of all proposed structures.

Seattle Pacific University (SPU) proposes to replace an existing float used for launching and landing of crew shells and for shoreline public access. The proposal is to replace the existing 60 -foot long by 10-foot wide float with a new float of the same size and dimensions in the same location. The new float would be prefabricated off-site; launched via a nearby boat ramp and towed into place with a skiff. The existing float would be detached from the existing piles, towed off-site, and disposed of in an appropriate location. All proposed work is on-water, and there would be no disturbance of sediments or upland soils. No work from the upland side is proposed and no bank disturbance will occur.

Metal guides which attach the float to the existing two pile would also be replaced in kind.

SPU also proposes to place a galvanized steel pile sleeve and cap ("can") ove the top portion of the existing wood pile to prevent further deterioration and extend the life of this pile. Other structures associated with the dock including an existing H-beam steel pile at the end of the float, and an existing wood pile at the head of the float, and the existing grated gangway will remain in place and unchanged. Removal and replacement of the floats is expected to take approximately four hours.

The existing float is 30+ years old and is in poor condition. The proposal is maintenance and repair of an existing authorized structure. The float provides important public shoreline access to the Ship Canal to members of the general public; this use will continue unchanged. Please refer to attached drawings and JARPA for additional information. The aquatic lands at the site are owned by the US Army Corps of Engineers and leased by SPU. See attachment A of the attached JARPA.