
**LEWIS COUNTY – STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT
THRESHOLD DETERMINATION
DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

LEAD AGENCY: Lewis County – Community Development Department

PROPONENT: Lewis County Community Development

FILE NUMBERS: SEP26-0009

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: Non-Project Action: The proposal is to amend Lewis County Code to allow retail cannabis uses within designated zoning districts. The amendments would establish zoning and separation standards to regulate the siting of retail cannabis businesses. Retail cannabis uses would be permitted only in areas meeting the applicable zoning and separation requirements identified in the Lewis County land use regulations and summary table.

LOCATION OF PROPOSAL: Countywide – Code updates

THRESHOLD DETERMINATION:

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable, significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is NOT required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review by Lewis County of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with this agency and such information is adopted herein by reference. This information is available electronically here <https://lewiscountywa.gov/departments/community-development/comprehensive-plan-and-development-regulation-amendments/cannabis-code-update/>

This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the issue date below. The comment period begins on the date of issuance and written comments must be submitted by **4pm on June 16, 2026**.

Responsible Official: **Mindy Brooks, Director**
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Contact Person: **Preston Pinkston, Planner III**

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Date of Issue: **June 2, 2026**

*This SEPA determination may be appealed in writing to the Lewis County Hearings Examiner until 4 pm on **June 23, 2026** at the Lewis County Community Development Permit Center. Appellants should be prepared to make **specific factual objections**. The appeal procedure is established in Lewis County Code (LCC) Section 17.110.130 and LCC Section 2.25.130. The administrative appeal fee is established by Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners. The current adopted fee schedule is available online at <https://lewiscountywa.gov/departments/community-development/permit-applications-and-handouts/>.*