

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

**DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE
OF DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION
U.S. BORDER PATROL
PORT ANGELES BORDER PATROL STATION
CLALLAM COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

The public is hereby notified of the availability of the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Proposed Construction, Operation, and Maintenance of Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Border Patrol, Port Angeles Border Patrol Station, Clallam County, Washington.

This EA addresses the potential impacts from the renovation and maintenance of an existing structure to create a new U.S. Border Patrol (USBP) station located along east Hwy 101 in Port Angeles, Washington. The proposed station would be located on an approximately 5-acre site, and is approximately 19,000 square feet in size. The new station would include offices, storage and file rooms, a public lobby, a squad muster room, a training room, a field support room, a fitness center equipped with lockers and showers, an area for holding and processing detainees, a dog kennel, and a vehicle maintenance area. Covered parking would be provided and the perimeter of the parking lot would have security fencing and lighting.

The Draft EA and Finding of No Significant Impacts (FONSI) will be available for review at the following locations:

Port Angeles Branch
North Olympic Library System
2210 South Peabody Street
Port Angeles, WA 98362

Sequim Branch
North Olympic Library System
630 North Sequim Avenue
Sequim, WA 98382

The Draft EA and FONSI can also be viewed via the Internet at the following address:
<http://ecso.swf.usace.army.mil/pages/publicreview.cfm>

The 30-day public comment period begins with publication of this Notice of Availability, expected to occur on February 28, 2011, and closes on March 29, 2011. Any comments concerning the Draft EA and FONSI may be sent by fax to (206) 764-4467 or by mail to:

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