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Dear resident,

Thank you for reaching out regarding the SAMP Near-Term Projects and your concerns about North SeaTac Park.

Environmental review on the more than 30 proposed Near-Term projects is underway currently and goes through 2022. No decisions would be made about building proposed projects until the environmental review concludes its analysis of potential impacts and ways to reduce or eliminate impacts.

Every proposed project will also require Commission authorization.

Taking public comment on the impacts of the proposed projects is a core component of the federal and state environmental review. This petition could be entered into the official public comment record during one of the upcoming public comment periods – one this year, one in 2022.

More generally the airport shares your concern over tree canopy. The airport prioritizes removing invasive species and restoring native trees and plants on airport owned property, works with area jurisdictions on replanting for safety-related tree removal, and provided \$400,000 for nonprofit Forterra to work with Burien, Des Moines and SeaTac to develop an urban forestry analysis and strategy.

Community conversations inspired many of these programs. We appreciate and welcome your ideas.

Sincerely,

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