



Fused Elements

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1. Project Overview

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Fused Elements is a single-family residential project located at 4525 Forest Avenue Southeast. The site is bounded by Lake Washington to the west, Forest Avenue Southeast to the east, private property to the north, and public right of way to the south. The project will construct a three-story house. Associated site work around the house location will include partially reconstructing the existing driveway, constructing new retaining walls, and new landscaping and grading around the house. Associated utility work will consist of installing a new water service that runs from Forest Avenue Southeast down to the house and new storm drainage for the site.

Figure 1 shows the approximate location of the Fused Elements site.

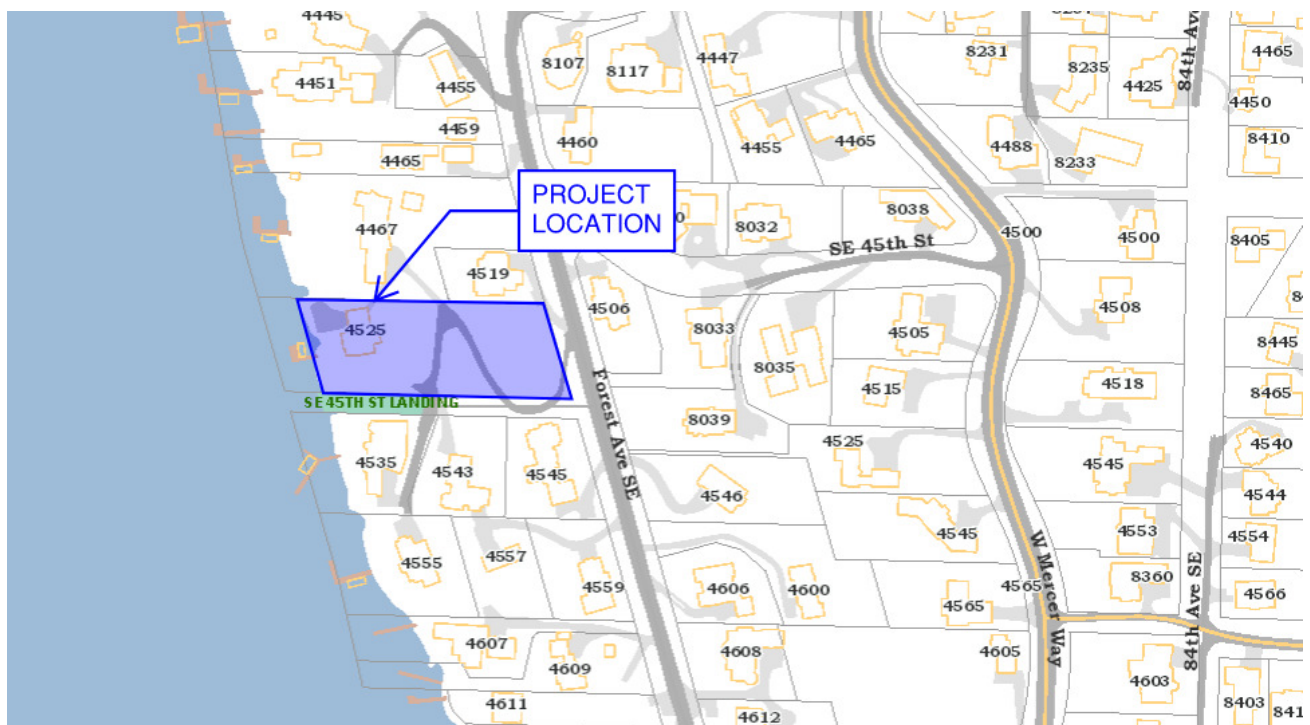


Figure 1: Vicinity Map (Mercer Island GIS Web Map)

EXISTING CONDITIONS

The existing site consists of an asphalt driveway which winds down from Forest Avenue Southeast to an existing single-family home located near the lake on the west side of the site. The driveway has several branching-off points which serve adjacent homes to the north and south. The areas around the house and driveway contain a variety of trees, lawn, and landscape areas. The parcel contains a watercourse which runs through the site from near the northeast corner to the middle of the southern edge of the parcel. The watercourse is primarily piped, with one open segment adjacent to the existing driveway. The topography is steep, dropping approximately 90 feet from the high side on the east to the lake's edge on the west.

Stormwater runoff generally appears to sheet flow down the slope. The upper portion of the site generally drains to the open section of the watercourse and the lower portion of the site generally drains to the lake. The watercourse discharges to Lake Washington within a quarter mile of the site and therefore the entire parcel is a single Threshold Discharge Area (TDA)

PROPOSED CONDITIONS

The proposed development includes demolition of the existing house and construction of a new single-family house. The lower portion of the existing asphalt driveway will be demolished and replaced with a concrete driveway to provide access to the new house. Retaining walls will be constructed along the driveway. Associated grading work will occur around the house and the replaced portion of the driveway. Work will occur primarily in the western portion of the site. Work on the eastern portion of the parcel is limited to the installation of a new two-inch water service which will run from Forest Avenue Southeast to the proposed house. Installation of the water service will not change the grading or surface coverage of the site.

Stormwater from the untouched portions of the site will continue to follow their current drainage pattern, with the upper portion of the site draining to the watercourse. Stormwater from the replaced portion of the driveway, the house, and upstream areas tributary to the disturbed portion of the site will be collected by roof drainage and area drains at grade and discharged via a daylit pipe near the northwest corner of the site to a quarry spill splash pad and flow from there into Lake Washington. The discharge point will remain 10 feet from ordinary high water.

Refer to Appendix A, Figure A1, for the Proposed Conditions map with further detail on the post-developed condition surface types.

APPLICABLE STORMWATER DESIGN MANUAL

Per the Mercer Island Municipal Code (BMC), Chapter 15.09, the 2012 Department of Ecology Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington, as amended in 2014 (SWMMWW) is adopted as the governing manual for stormwater system requirements.

2. Minimum Requirements

The proposed Fused Elements site as defined in the SWMMWW, has less than 35% existing hard surface coverage and results in more than 5,000 square feet of new plus replaced hard surface areas; therefore, all Minimum Requirements apply to new and replaced hard surfaces and converted vegetation areas.

Table 2-1 shows the applicable Minimum Requirements. See below for further discussion of Minimum Requirements.

Table 2-1: Summary of Applicable Minimum Requirements

Minimum Requirement	Bay Bowl Apartments
MR No. 1 – Preparation of Stormwater Site Plans	Followed in accordance with SWMMWW
MR No. 2 – Construction Stormwater Pollution Prevention	Followed in accordance with SWMMWW
MR No. 3 – Source Control of Pollution	Not Applicable
MR No. 4 – Preservation of Natural Drainage System and Outfalls	Followed in accordance with SWMMWW
MR No. 5 – On-Site Stormwater Management	Followed in accordance with SWMMWW
MR No. 6 – Runoff Treatment	Followed in accordance with SWMMWW
MR No. 7 – Flow Control	Followed in accordance with SWMMWW
MR No. 8 – Wetlands Protection	Not Applicable
MR No. 9 – Operation and Maintenance	Followed in accordance with SWMMWW

Minimum Requirement No. 1: Preparation of Stormwater Site Plans

This Storm Drain Report has been prepared in accordance with the SWMMWW to fulfill MR No. 1.

Minimum Requirement No. 2: Construction Stormwater Pollution Prevention (SWPP)

The project adds more than 2,000 square feet of new and replaced hard surfaces; therefore, a Construction SWPP Plan (SWPPP) has been prepared in conjunction with the building permit submittal. The SWPPP depicts locations and sizes of Best Management Practices (BMPs) used to meet National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) requirements. Refer to the Construction SWPPP (submitted under separate cover) for further detail on BMPs.

Minimum Requirement No. 3: Source Control of Pollution

The proposed project does not contain any known specific sources of pollution such as fuel tanks, chemical storage, or vehicle maintenance yards. No specific source control BMPs or spill prevention plans are proposed for permanent installation. For information on temporary BMPs, see the SWPPP submitted under separate cover.

Minimum Requirement No. 4: Preservation of Natural Drainage Systems and Outfalls

Existing natural drainage patterns will be maintained to the maximum extent possible. Stormwater runoff from the site will continue to sheet flow to Lake Washington from portions of the yard which are downslope of the house and driveway. Areas that cannot sheet flow to the lake, such as the roof and driveway areas, will be collected and discharged via a daylit pipe and splash pad to the lake. Refer to Section 3 “Permanent Stormwater Control” for further information on proposed drainage patterns.

Minimum Requirement No. 5: On-Site Stormwater Management

This project is flow control exempt; see the “Minimum Requirement No. 7: Flow Control” section for more information. Therefore, the project does not have to achieve the LID performance standard, however, the following BMPs must be evaluated for all surfaces per the SWMMWW Volume 1 Section 2.5.5, and implemented to the extent feasible.

- Post-Construction Soil Quality and Depth (BMP T5.13)
- Downspout Full Infiltration Systems (BMP T5.10A)
- Downspout Dispersion Systems (BMP T5.10B)
- Perforated Stub-out Connections (BMP T5.10C)
- Concentrated Flow Dispersion (BMP T5.11)
- Sheet Flow Dispersion (BMP T5.12)

Post-Construction Soil Quality and Depth (BMP T5.13) will be applied to all proposed pervious landscape areas that are being created as part of this project.

Downspout full infiltration and perforated stub-out connections are infeasible because the project site is infeasible for infiltration per the City of Mercer Island's Infiltration Map. Downspout dispersion systems will be implemented to the maximum extent feasible. See Section 3 for more information.

Sheet flow dispersion and concentrated flow dispersion are infeasible because the minimum flowpaths cannot be met between impervious areas, building, property lines, and the lake. Additionally, per City review the soils at the site are not suitable for dispersion and use of dispersion BMPs would cause drainage issues downslope of the BMPs.

Minimum Requirement No. 6: Runoff Treatment

This project proposes less than 5,000 square feet of pollution-generating hard surfaces (PGHS) and less than three-quarters of an acre of pollution-generating pervious surfaces; therefore, per the SWMMWW Volume 1, Section 2.5.6, runoff treatment is not required.

Minimum Requirement No. 7: Flow Control

Flow control is not required for this site because it discharges to Lake Washington, which is a Flow Control Exempt Receiving Water per the SWMMWW Appendix I-E. Per Volume 1, Section 2.5.7, projects discharging to a Flow Control Exempt Receiving Water are not required to provide flow control.

Minimum Requirement No. 8: Wetlands Protection

The project does not discharge to a wetland; therefore, the requirements of Volume I, Section 2.5.8 of the SWMMWW do not apply.

Minimum Requirement No. 9: Operations and Maintenance

An Operations and Maintenance Manual meeting in accordance with the SWMMWW will be provided to the owner prior to project completion.

3. Permanent Stormwater Control

Stormwater from the site will be discharged to Lake Washington. Runoff from areas of the site that can be discharged without collecting runoff first, such as the yard downslope of the house, will continue to sheet flow to Lake Washington. Stormwater from the roof downspouts and area drains around the site will be discharged via a pipe at the base of a rockery near the shoreline. The discharge point will be over 10 feet from ordinary high water and will discharge to a quarry spall splash pad. Stormwater will flow from there into Lake Washington.

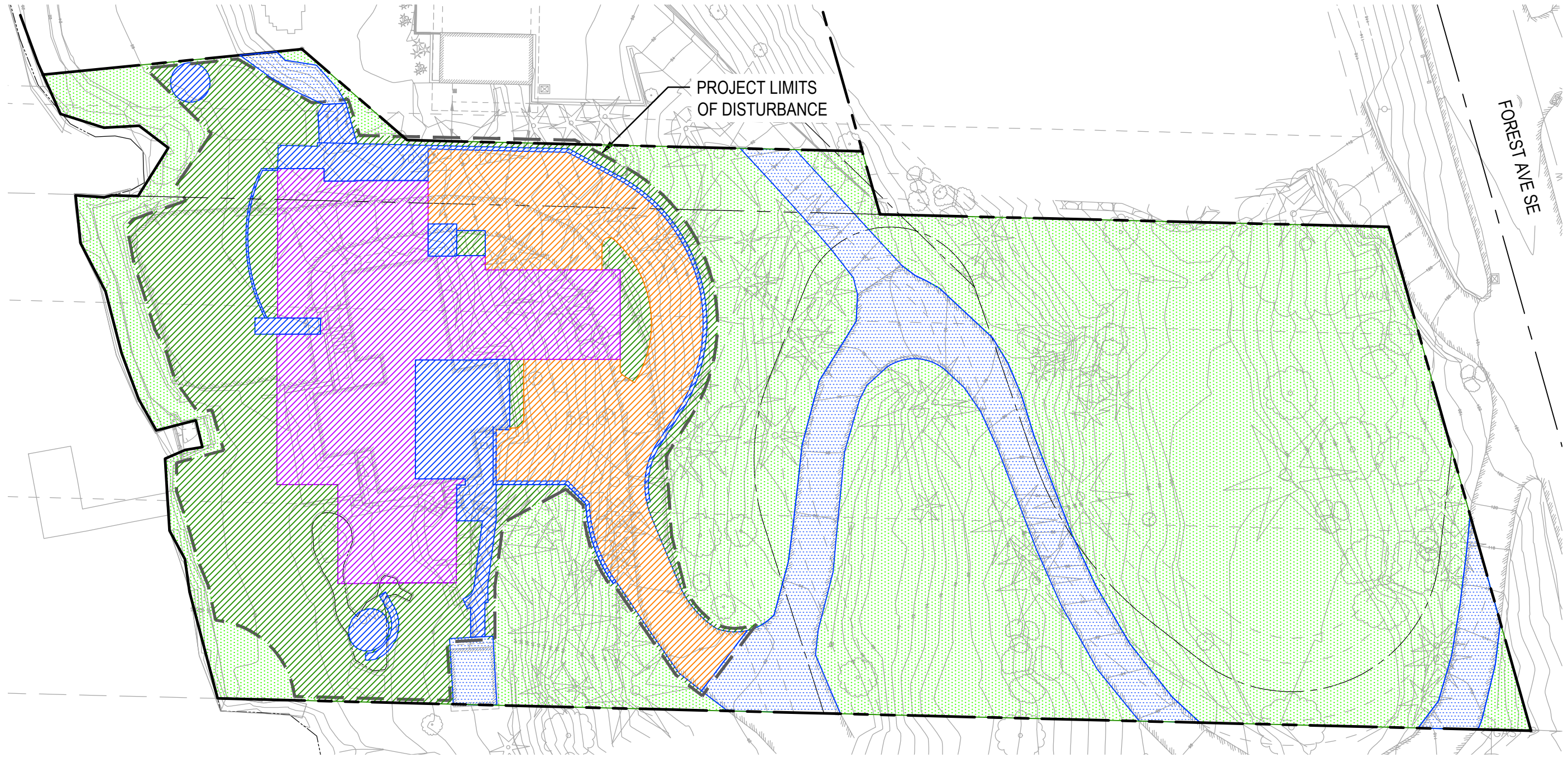
Appendix A

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AREAS		
	SQUARE FEET	ACRES
PERVIOUS - UNDISTURBED	30,777	0.71
IMPERVIOUS - UNDISTURBED	5,310	0.12
PERVIOUS	7,746	0.18
IMPERVIOUS - NON POLLUTION GENERATING	2,204	0.05
IMPERVIOUS - POLLUTION GENERATING	4,641	0.11
BUILDING	5,804	0.13
TOTAL	56,482	1.30

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