

Appendix J

Confidential Cultural Resources
Documents
(Under Separate Cover)

Appendix J-1

Cultural Resources Study

Confidential Cultural Resources Study is Bound Separately*

*The Cultural Resources Study has been bound separately to protect potentially sensitive information about the location and nature of cultural resources.

Appendix J-2

Cultural Resources Correspondence



Nisqually Indian Tribe
4820 She-Nah-Num Dr. S.E.
Olympia, WA 98513
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January 24, 2023,

To: Ryan Sawyer, AICP
Project Director
Acorn Environmental
5170 Golden Foothill Parkway
El Dorado Hills, CA 95760

Re: Nisqually Cultural Report - Mixed Use Property

The Nisqually Indian Tribe's THPO has reviewed the cultural resources assessment that you provided for the above-named project and concurs with the finding of **No Historic Properties Affected**. Please keep us informed if there are any Inadvertent Discoveries of Archaeological Resources/Human Burials.

Sincerely,

Brad Beach, THPO
Nisqually Indian Tribe
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cc: Annette Bullchild, Director, Nisqually Indian Tribe



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IN REPLY REFER TO:

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL RESOURCE MGMT.

Mr. Dustin Klatush
Chairman
Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation
420 Howanut Road, PO Box 536
Oakville, Washington 98568

RE: Nisqually Quiemuth Village Mixed Use Development and Fee-to-Trust Project

Dear Chairman Klatush:

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Northwest Regional Office (NWRO) is conducting National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 consultation with the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation regarding the Nisqually Tribe's proposal to develop the Project Site for mixed land including commercial, retail, office, housing, and recreational along with ancillary infrastructure and facilities. The BIA is consulting with the WA DAHP to review the BIA's determination of the area of potential effects (APE) and determination of effect.

The APE for the proposed project is in Sections 10 and 11, Township 18 North, Range 1 West, Willamette Meridian. A Cultural Resource Study prepared for the site is attached to this letter. The report identifies that no eligible historic properties were identified within the boundaries of the proposed project. The Nisqually Tribes Cultural Program has concurred with the determination of "No Historic Properties Affected" and their letter is also attached. As part of the BIA's consultation, we are contacting the WA DAHP for concurrence and the Squaxin Island, Puyallup, and Skokomish Tribes to identify potential historic properties of cultural and religious significance to their communities, comments on the APE and identification efforts, and the determination of effect.

Therefore, the BIA, as per §36 CFR 800.4(d), has determined that the implementation of the proposed undertaking will result in a 'No Historic Properties Affected'. The BIA is requesting the identification of any historic properties of cultural or religious significance to your community and any comments or concerns with the determination of 'No Historic Properties Affected' within 30 days of receipt of this letter. Please direct any questions or requests for additional information to Eirik Thorsgard, Regional Archaeologist, at eirik.thorsgard@bia.gov or (503) 231-6921.

Sincerely,

Bryan Mercier
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Allyson Brooks, Ph.D.

State Historic Preservation Officer

Washington Department of Archaeological and Historic Preservation

1110 S. Capitol Way, Suite 30

Olympia, Washington 98501

RE: Nisqually Quiemuth Village Mixed Use Development and Fee-to-Trust Project

Dear Dr. Brooks:

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Northwest Regional Office (NWRO) is conducting National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 consultation with the Washington Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (WA DAHP) regarding the Tribe's proposal to develop the Project Site for mixed land including commercial, retail, office, housing, and recreational along with ancillary infrastructure and facilities. The BIA is consulting with the WA DAHP to review the BIA's determination of the area of potential effects (APE) and determination of effect.

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Mr. Bill Sterud
Chairman
Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation
3009 East Portland Avenue
Tacoma, Washington 98404-4926

RE: Nisqually Quiemuth Village Mixed Use Development and Fee-to-Trust Project

Dear Chairman Sterud:

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Northwest Regional Office (NWRO) is conducting National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 consultation with the Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation regarding the Nisqually Tribe's proposal to develop the Project Site for mixed land including commercial, retail, office, housing, and recreational along with ancillary infrastructure and facilities. The BIA is consulting with the WA DAHP to review the BIA's determination of the area of potential effects (APE) and determination of effect.

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL & CULTURAL RESOURCE MGMT.

Mr. Dustin Klatush
Chairman
Skokomish Indian Tribe
80 North Tribal CTR Road
Shelton, Washington 98584-9748

RE: Nisqually Quiemuth Village Mixed Use Development and Fee-to-Trust Project

Dear Chairman Miller:

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Northwest Regional Office (NWRO) is conducting National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 consultation with the Skokomish Indian Tribe regarding the Nisqually Tribe's proposal to develop the Project Site for mixed land including commercial, retail, office, housing, and recreational along with ancillary infrastructure and facilities. The BIA is consulting with the WA DAHP to review the BIA's determination of the area of potential effects (APE) and determination of effect.

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Mr. Kristopher Peters
Chairman
Squaxin Island Tribe of the Squaxin Island Reservation
10 SE Squaxin Lane
Shelton, Washington 98584-9200

RE: Nisqually Quiemuth Village Mixed Use Development and Fee-to-Trust Project

Dear Chairman Peters:

The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Northwest Regional Office (NWRO) is conducting National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) Section 106 consultation with the Squaxin Island Tribe of the Squaxin Island Reservation regarding the Nisqually Tribe's proposal to develop the Project Site for mixed land including commercial, retail, office, housing, and recreational along with ancillary infrastructure and facilities. The BIA is consulting with the WA DAHP to review the BIA's determination of the area of potential effects (APE) and determination of effect.

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Sincerely,

Bryan Mercier
Northwest Regional Director



Allyson Brooks Ph.D., Director
State Historic Preservation Officer

May 30, 2024

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911 NE 11th Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97232

Re: Nisqually Quiemuth Village Mixed Use Development and Fee-to-Trust Project
Log No.: 2024-05-03498-BIA

Dear Bryan Mercier:

Thank you for contacting our department. We have reviewed the information and professional cultural resources report you provided for the proposed *Nisqually Quiemuth Village Mixed Use Development and Fee-to-Trust Project*, Thurston County, Washington.

We concur with your proposed Area of Potential Effect (APE). We concur with your Determination of No Historic Properties Affected with the stipulation for an unanticipated find plan.

We would also request receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4).

In the event that archaeological or historic materials are encountered during project activities, work in the immediate vicinity must stop, the area secured, and this department and the consulted tribes notified.

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in compliance with the Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, and its implementing regulations 36CFR800.4. Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rob Whitlam', followed by a horizontal line.

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