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Kittitas County Community Development Services
Attn: Bradley Gasawski, Designated Permit Coordinator
411 N. Ruby St., Suite2,
Ellensburg, WA 98926

RE: Davenport SP-24-00007

Dear Bradley,

This is in response to the comments received about the application to split our property at 700 Charlton Rd.

We built the house on 700 Charlton in 1994. When we excavated the ground and built the house, dug a drain field, drilled a well and put in a driveway, we did not find any artifacts or cultural items. In all the time we have lived on the property we have never come across anything resembling cultural artifacts.

We also owned the two properties just south of 700 Charlton, 1083 Frontier Rd and 1110 Frontier Rd. We built houses on each of these properties and sold them to our children.

The property at 1083 Frontier Rd we purchased in 1979. We have built a house and a large garage on the property and have not found cultural items or artifacts on the lot there. This also has a well drilled and a septic system installed with no discoveries.

In 1996 we purchased the property at 1110 Frontier Rd and built a house, drilled a well and installed a septic system on that property. There were no discoveries of cultural items or artifacts on that property either.

Since the property being split and the two adjoining properties have not discovered anything, it is highly unlikely that there would be anything discovered if we split the lot. In the unlikely event that something should be discovered on the property, we would be willing to notify the proper authorities immediately and wait for further review before continuing to develop the property.

So, maybe the county could put a notice on the plat stating that if any discoveries are made on the property, the proper authorities would be notified it would alleviate any concerns about the archeological and cultural artifacts.

Thank you,

Watter & Lynn Devenport