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Zach Torrance-Smith
Kittitas County Planning
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RE: SP-24-00003

Dear Zach Torrance-Smith:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Notice of Application for the Equinox. We have reviewed the application and have the following comment.

Water Quality

Dividing or platting a piece of property is often the first step in a proposed development. An NPDES Construction Stormwater Permit may be required if there is a potential for stormwater discharge from a construction site with disturbed ground. Ground disturbance includes all utility placements and building or upgrading roads. The permitting process requires going through SEPA, developing a stormwater pollution prevention plan, submitting an application, and a 30-day public notice process. This may take 38-60 days. A permit and a stormwater plan are required prior to beginning ground-breaking activities.

Please contact **Wendy Neet** with the Department of Ecology, 509-571-6733, with questions about this permit.

Sincerely,

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