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From: Bradley Gasawski
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 9:40 AM
To: Connor Armi
Cc: Guy Moura; Hanson, Sydney (DAHP); Jamey Ayling; Bradley Gasawski
Subject: RE: SE-24-00013 Horish - Notice of Application

Hi Connor,

Thank you for your comments. We'll add them to the file.

I wanted to clarify a couple things. The original consultation, SV-23-00001 Horish, was withdrawn by the applicant and no determination was issued for it. It is no longer an active project at CDS. The applicant is now pursuing a Reasonable Use Exception and the nature of the proposed work has prompted a SEPA checklist as well. In hindsight, I could have submitted the RU-24-00001 Horish & the SE-24-00013 Horish project notice of application (NOA) and request for comments together so agencies were only responding to one project NOA that included both applications. However, I sent them out separately, instead of together.

Part of the land use application process with Kittitas County is to send out a notice to request comments from the public and from agencies prior to issuing a determination or a decision. For SE-24-00013, we included a preliminary MDNS and are asking agencies to respond with their comments on the project and the preliminary MDNS. The county then considers all the information associated with the project, including the comments from agencies & the public, prior to issuing a determination or decision.

We have not made a determination or a decision for RU-24-0001 or SE-24-00013. Please know that your comments will be considered when reviewing the information for both projects.

You are welcome to reach out to myself or Jamey Ayling, Planning Manager with Kittitas County to discuss further.

Best,
Bradley

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Hello Bradley,

This will mark the third consultation that I have provided for this ground disturbing activity. I have requested a survey under SV-23-00001, and RU-24-00001. I reiterate that request now, it seems this project continues to move forward without heed to it's potential impact to cultural resources.

Please consider the following.

SEPA regulations concerning responsibility are clear, in this instance it would be the County held responsible for any damage to historic properties.

WAC 197-11-080, specifies if information on significant impacts is not known, agencies shall obtain and include the information in the environmental documents if the costs are not exorbitant. When there are gaps in relevant information or scientific uncertainty concerning significant impacts, agencies must state such information is lacking or that substantial uncertainty exists. If the agency proceeds, it shall indicate in environmental documents its worst case analysis and the likelihood of occurrence.

The THPO considers DAHP the regulatory authority off Indian lands. A DAHP recommendation for cultural resource investigations is viewed by the THPO as a requirement. If such a recommendation is ignored, we recommend the County review RCW 27.53.060 <https://apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=27.53.060> and RCW 27.44.040 [https://app.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=27.44.040#:~:text=\(1\)%20Any%20person%20who%20knowingly,20%20RCW](https://app.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=27.44.040#:~:text=(1)%20Any%20person%20who%20knowingly,20%20RCW) for the possible consequences of their actions

RCW 43.21C.020:

(2) In order to carry out the policy set forth in this chapter, it is the continuing responsibility of the state of Washington and all agencies of the state to use all practicable means, consistent with other essential considerations of state policy, to improve and coordinate plans, functions, programs, and resources to the end that the state and its citizens may: ... (d) *Preserve important historic, cultural, and natural aspects of our national heritage* [emphasis added];

SEPA states, the County is obligated to:

Identify and develop methods and procedures, in consultation with the department of ecology and the ecological commission, which will insure that *presently unquantified environmental amenities and values* will be given appropriate consideration in decision making along with economic and technical considerations [RCW 43.21C.030(b); emphasis added];

Sincerely,

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On Thu, Apr 11, 2024 at 8:02 AM Bradley Gasawski <bradley.gasawski@co.kittitas.wa.us> wrote:

Good Morning,

CDS is requesting comment on the following SEPA checklist: SE-24-00013 Horish. Links to the file materials can be found below. The comment period will end **April 25, 2024, at 5pm**. CDS will assume your agency does not wish to provide comment if not received by this date. Please let me know if you have any issues accessing the materials.

Internal Link: SE-24-00013 Horish

External Link: [SE-24-00013 Horish](#)

If the links above do not work, please go to the CDS website at:

<https://www.co.kittitas.wa.us/cds/land-use/default.aspx> and navigate to “State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)” and then the project file number “SE-24-00013 Horish”.

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