## **Department of Energy**



Bonneville Power Administration Ellensburg Maintenance District 14001 Wilson Creek Road Ellensburg, WA 98926

January 25, 2011

In reply refer to: TERR/Schultz

(Stuart Vista BL-10-00040)

LOCATION: Schultz-Raver Corridor (Township 19 North, Range 14 East, Section 1)

Kittitas County Community Development Attn: Jeff Watson, Planner I (via email to jeff.watson@co.kittitas.wa.us) 411 N. Ruby St., Suite 2 Ellensburg, WA 98926

Subject: Stuart Vista BL-10-00040

Dear Mr. Watson:

The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) has reviewed the above-referenced application and its relationship to the BPA transmission line easement at this location. BPA does not have any objection to this project. We do request, however, that the following statement, or this entire letter, be forwarded to the property owners to help ensure public safety and reliable operation of BPA's facilities.

Portions of parcels 19148, 21141, and 21142 in Kittitas County, Washington are encumbered by easements for high-voltage transmission lines owned by the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA). BPA has acquired rights for these easements that limit the landowner's use of this area. BPA has the right of ingress and egress, and the right to keep the easement free and clear of all buildings, sheds, fences, roads, in-ground and aboveground swimming pools, trampolines, or any other type of structure, trees, and all vegetation. All activities planned within the BPA easement need to be reviewed by BPA prior to their occurrence. Do not build, dig, install utilities, plant, or burn within the easement area. For further questions or concerns regarding any proposed uses of the right-of-way, you may contact BPA Real Estate Field Services at the address listed above or by calling (877) 417-9454.

The easement rights acquired by BPA impose certain land use restrictions (the right to restrict structures, fire hazards, manage hazardous trees, etc.) to protect the integrity of BPA's transmission line system. Any proposed land use or construction activity within BPA's easement area should be reviewed by BPA prior to implementation. BPA's endorsement or restriction of any use within the right-of-way is dependent upon the two equally important issues of safety and system reliability – the present and future ability to operate, maintain, and upgrade our high-voltage transmission line system.

Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated. By working together with our agency, your effort will help to minimize later disputes or unnecessary costs associated with the required removal or modification of incompatible or non-permitted activities placed within BPA's easement. If you have any questions regarding this request or need additional information, please feel free to contact me at (509) 925-2088.

Sincerely,

Lila Black

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