

## KITTITAS COUNTY **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

July 25, 2018

Community Development Services Attn: Chelsea Benner 411 N Ruby St., Suite 2 Ellensburg, WA 98926

Public Facilities Application (File PF-18-00001) Request for Additional Information RE:

Dear Ms. Benner:

Public Works' findings appear below in response to your request for more information:

- 1. The granting of the proposed public facilities permit will not:
  - a. Be detrimental to the public health, safety, and general welfare;
    - i. The proposed public facilities permit will enhance public health, safety, and general welfare because Public Works will have more immediate access to the community and surrounding transportation network. The shop's water and sewer will be served by the City of Cle Elum. Water runoff will be managed according to the Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington.
  - b. Be injurious to the property or improvements adjacent to, and in the vicinity of, the site upon which the proposed use is to be located; nor
    - i. Public Works does not anticipate injury to the property or injury to improvements near the site. Upper County Shop will be an improvement to a currently vacant lot. The shop will provide a closer opportunity for road and bridge maintenance in the immediate area. The shop complements the solid waste transfer site located across the street allowing for sharing of heavy equipment during peak solid waste operations.
  - Adversely affect the established character of the surrounding vicinity
    - i. The proposed Upper County Shop will complement the established character of the surrounding vicinity. With Solid Waste and an electrical substation nearby, Upper County Shop adds a similar character to the nearby area.
- 2. Please see our transportation concurrency evaluation in Attachment 1. We do not find that Upper County shop will have a significant impact on SR 903. In our evaluation, a TIA is not triggered as the peak hour production is < 9 trips KCC 12.10.040(C). Kittitas County Public Works' concludes that a transportation concurrency determination and TIA will not be required.
- 3. Water trucks or similar will be used to maintain dust during construction and normal operation. We do not anticipate much dust being produced during standard operations. The main facility parking lot is paved, eliminating the production of dust.

- 4. Trees will be used as a light pollution buffer, mitigating the effects of light on traveling traffic. Direction pole lighting is utilized in the traffic area of the facility.
- 5. Stormwater plans are currently being developed as part of the Upper County shop site plans. We anticipate final release of the plans in September, 2018. These plans will be reviewed by the County. All developed runoff will be treated and disposed on site through infiltration.
- 6. Fencing will be addressed in the final site plans and will match Solid Waste's fence line at SR 903 frontage. A chain link fence without security wire is envisioned for the site.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need further information.

Sincerely,

**Taylor Gustafson** 

Environmental / Transportation Planner