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Kittitas County Community Development Services 411 N. Ruby St. Suite 2 Ellensburg, WA 98926

Attn: Chace Pedersen, Planner I

RE: SP-23-00008, Rarden Short Plat I-90 Exit 74, West Nelson Siding Road, Vicinity

We have reviewed the proposed project and have the following comments.

- The subject property is adjacent to Interstate 90 (I-90), a fully controlled limited access facility with a posted speed limit of 70 miles per hour. WSDOT has acquired all access rights to I-90. Direct access to the interstate is prohibited.
- I-90 is an existing facility, and the proponent is proposing a more noise-sensitive land use. The proponent and future residents should be aware this is an area with existing traffic noise. They should also expect traffic noise to continue to grow into the future, as an essential public facility, I-90 may need to be expanded to accommodate future traffic growth. It is the developer's responsibility to dampen or deflect any traffic noise for this development.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on this proposal. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Jacob Prilucik at (509) 577-1635.

Sincerely,

Paul Donsof.

Paul Gonseth, P.E. Region Planning Engineer

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cc: SR 90, File #2023_005 Michael Krahenbuhl, Area 1 Maintenance Superintendent