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**Cc:** [Jamey Ayling](#)  
**Subject:** RE: SP-24-00001 4G Farms - Comment from Health Department  
**Date:** Tuesday, April 2, 2024 2:50:05 PM  
**Attachments:** [Kitco Stream Map.pdf](#)

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Zach – Thank you for sending the comments received on our application and most look typical from the various departments but I do wish to provide additional information.

Colville Nation comments - This property has been worked and tilled for agricultural use for years and does not contain any undisturbed ground. No earthwork is planned for this application and a cultural resource study should not be needed at this time. I think if the county placed conditions for this application requiring lot owners to contact authorities in case of any inadvertent discoveries and also place a notice that further review may be required for future development that this would hopefully address any archeological concerns.

WDFW comments – The ditch shown on the application that WDFW references as “L. Naneum Creek” is not listed as a stream in either the county’s GIS or WA DNR water mapping, see attached. The letter further describes this ditch as a branch coming off the main Naneum Creek but this ditch is clearly fed from a head gate off the main canal 800’ north of this property with no connectivity to any water source north of the canal and would be dry without Cascade Canal irrigation water. This ditch is currently being used to provide irrigation waters to properties south of the canal. While the ditch across this property is not shown at all on any official mapping, 600’ to the south this ditch is shown as a non-fish bearing ditch/canal on the WA DNR website and a type 9 (U) water course on county GIS mapping. This ditch flows to a point south of I-90 where it ties into what is classified as a non-fish bearing stream. It appears WDFW is requesting Kittitas County to re-designate this ditch as a fish bearing stream through this short plat application process. Please provide documentation where this ditch has been formally typed as fish bearing and that the DNR’s designation is no longer valid prior to placing any further conditions on this application or property.

Neighboring comments – This application is allowed under current code and we previously submitted comments regarding the CCR’s.

Please contact us back with any questions or if you need any additional information.

Thanks,  
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Good afternoon,

The following comment was received from the Kittitas County Public Health Department today. They requested I send their comments to you so you are aware of any potential concerns from their department.

Let me know if you have further questions.

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