



August 20, 2024

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

Attention: Chace Pedersen, Planner I

Subject: KittCo_ACU-24-00001_Horizon_Towers
U.S. 97 milepost 136.09 left

We have reviewed the proposed site plan and have the following comments.

- The subject property is adjacent to U.S. Highway 97 (US 97), a Class 1 managed access highway with a posted speed limit of 55 miles per hour. Currently, access to the property is via the permitted joint use approach at milepost 136.09 left and a grandfathered approach at milepost 136.10 left. The permitted approach can be used but the permit must be updated. No additional approaches to US 97 will be allowed. The property owner is required to contact Mark Kaiser of the WSDOT - South Central Region Office at (509) 577-1668 to update the permit.
- As a public safety agency, WSDOT assists with the response to emergencies in which life and property are threatened. Some communications facilities operate at frequencies that interfere with our radio system. Because of this, there is the potential for reception problems for our mobiles operating in those areas. To prevent potential interference with the two systems, we encourage the proponent to do cooperative testing with the WSDOT to identify any problems that may be corrected through the installation of specific protective or interference devices. The applicant should contact Jason Boyd of the WSDOT - South Central Region Office at (509) 577-1980 to discuss any potential interference or coordinate any testing.

In addition, we are concerned with potential interference from any facilities that may co-locate on this site in the future. To prevent potential interference between our system and any future system, we encourage the proponent to coordinate future co-locates with the WSDOT. Cooperative testing with the WSDOT shall be done for these facilities, and any interference corrected through the installation of specific protective or interference devices.

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

Sincerely,

Stephen P. (Phil) Nugent.
Region Planning Manager

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cc: SR 97, File #2024-002
Jason Pratt, Area 1 Maintenance Superintendent