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**Subject:** Re: RU-25-00004 Thomas - Notice of Application  
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Hi Zach,

This review is in response to the RU-25-00004 Thomas notice of application.

Please be advised that the proposed project lies within the traditional territory of the šnp' əšqwáw' səxw (people in between) or Wenatchi, one of the twelve tribes that make up the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (CTCR), which is governed by the Colville Business Council (CBC). The CBC has delegated to the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO) the responsibility of representing the CTCR with regard to cultural resources management issues throughout the traditional territories of all of the constituent tribes under Resolution 1996-29. This area includes parts of eastern Washington, northeastern Oregon, the Palus territory in Idaho, and south-central British Columbia.

Based on a review of the proposed undertaking alongside State and Tribal sensitivity maps documenting the known occurrences of pre-contact, ethnographic, historic, and/or religious sites, we only request that the proponent develop and have on hand an Inadvertent Discovery Plan (IDP) during all ground disturbing project work. While this area is considered by DAHP to be at a very high risk for cultural resources to be present, previous cultural resource surveys on or adjacent to the property have not yet revealed evidence of this and the nearest known occurrences of such material are more than half a mile away. However, given the extent of ground disturbance required to place the foundations and septic system of the proposed undertaking, an IDP is appropriate. We find the reasonable use exception to be otherwise acceptable.

Thank you for submitting this project for review with the CTCR. These comments are based on information as currently presented, and we do reserve the right to revise our comments if additional information becomes available. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have any questions.

My best,

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On Mon, Dec 15, 2025 at 3:12 PM Zach Torrance-Smith  
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Good afternoon,

CDS is requesting comments on the following Reasonable Use application: RU-25-00004 Thomas.

Links to the file materials can be found below. The comment period will end on **January 7, 2026, at 5pm**. CDS will assume your agency does not wish to provide comment if not received by this date.

Please let me know if you have any issues accessing the materials.

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