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RE: SEPA 202505198; SE-25-00019

Dear Bradley Gasawski:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment during the Optional Determination of Nonsignificance process for the Schmaus Residence. We have reviewed the documents and have the following comments.

Water Resources Program

Your project is located within the boundaries of WAC 173-539A so it may be subject to the rule. If you planning on withdrawing groundwater for a new use within the boundaries of WAC 173-539A, your project must be water budget neutral. Before withdrawing or using any water please submit a Request of Determination of Water Budget Neutrality or an Application for a New Water Right Permit, depending on the size of your project either form may be required. If you have any questions or would like to respond to these Water Resources comments, please contact Nathan Longoria at (509) 907-1752 or email at Nathan.Longoria@ecy.wa.gov.

Ecology's comments are based upon information provided by the lead agency. As such, they may not constitute an exhaustive list of the various authorizations that must be obtained or legal requirements that must be fulfilled in order to carry out the proposed action.

If you have any questions or would like to respond to these comments, please contact the appropriate reviewing staff listed above.

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Sincerely,



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