

## Ellie Myers

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**From:** Yannick Debaupte <starwatercabin@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 12, 2025 1:22 PM  
**To:** Ellie Myers; Alex Jopek  
**Subject:** Re: SX-25-00001 Debaupte - Transmittal of Comments  
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Hello Ellie,

Thanks so much for the follow up. I reached DAHP and James quickly answered. (see attached). His answer was comprehensive and well argued. As per his recommendation, I contacted Ammi Connoer from the Coleville tribe last week but did not get an answer yet. I will send a reminder today and hopefully will get an answer. Let me know if you have any alternative recommendations to move forward.

Have a great day,  
Yannick

On Wed, Mar 12, 2025 at 3:02 PM Ellie Myers <[ellie.myers@co.kittitas.wa.us](mailto:ellie.myers@co.kittitas.wa.us)> wrote:

Hi Yannick,

When DAHP responds can you please forward me the message so that I can proceed with the exemption letter?

Best,



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(adding Alex, the architect I am working with)

Thanks Ellie,

As per your recommendations, I will contact Dahp to provide further details that may be of interest. The property is adjacent to Gold Creek Pond, which was extensively excavated in the 1970s to build the I.90. The excavation was later filled with rain water that formed Gold Creek pond. If any archaeological remains existed in the area, workers would likely have discovered them during the pond's excavation and filling.

I have also pre-selected Septic systems that would minimize ground impact.

Will revert back to you after this discussion. Thanks again for your guidance,

Regards,

Yannick

On Thu, Feb 27, 2025 at 11:38 AM Ellie Myers <[ellie.myers@co.kittitas.wa.us](mailto:ellie.myers@co.kittitas.wa.us)> wrote:

Hello Yannick,

The application has not yet been approved. You have 15 days to address the comments provided. Once you've responded and no further revisions are necessary, I can proceed with issuing the exemption letter.

If the project is more than 200 feet from the Ordinary High-Water Mark and outside the shoreline buffer, a Cultural Resource Survey is generally not required, unless there is a related Land Use permit that gives the tribes and DAHP the opportunity to comment. Since tribes and DAHP can review most Land Use applications, they often request Inadvertent Discovery Plans (IDPs) or cultural resource surveys. However, they do not have the ability to comment on building permits, which may explain why these surveys or IDPs were not required for other residences in the area.

You are welcome to reach out to DAHP during this comment period to explain why you feel an Inadvertent Discovery Plan would be sufficient for this project. If DAHP is convinced, we could potentially rework the requirement for a cultural resource survey from the exemption letter.

James MacNaughton [James.MacNaughton@dahp.wa.gov](mailto:James.MacNaughton@dahp.wa.gov)

Please let me know if you have any other questions!

Best,



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**From:** Yannick Debaupte <[starwatercabin@gmail.com](mailto:starwatercabin@gmail.com)>  
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Good morning,

Thanks for your email and the status update.

I would like to confirm if this application was approved (with the comments as written) or if we need to respond to the comments (saying yes, we will get a professional archaeologist to do a cultural resource survey) in order to get approval and then submit a building permit application ? For context, the lot is alongside the Gold Creek pond, which is a massive excavation done in the late 70s to build the I-90.

Additionally, the US Forest road is planning massive refurbishment of the Gold creek area that will have a much larger impact than a cabin. Let me know what your recommendations would be at this point.

Another point of clarification, would the project need to comply with Tribal requests for the cultural resource survey if we were more than 200' from the water (i.e. outside of the Shoreline) ? (as many other cabins were built in the same area).

Thanks in advance,

Yannick Debaupte

On Mon, Feb 24, 2025 at 5:26 PM Ellie Myers <[ellie.myers@co.kittitas.wa.us](mailto:ellie.myers@co.kittitas.wa.us)> wrote:

Good Afternoon,

Please see the attached correspondence regarding your Shoreline Exemption application (SX-25-00001 Debaupte). A physical copy of the correspondence has been placed in the mail. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,



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