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Subject: Re: PSA-25-00169 - Shoreline Review - Request for Comments
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Good afternoon,

This review is in response to the request for comment on the proposed project PSA-25-00169 for the building of a 30' x 40' carport with associated ground disturbing activities.

Please be advised that the proposed project lies within the traditional territory of the šnpəšq^waw' səx^w (people in between) or Wenatchi Tribe, 1 of the 12 constituent tribes of 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.

The proposed project falls within an area of very high probability for the potential presence of cultural resources according to the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation's statewide predictive model. We recommend the proponent have a completed Inadvertent Discovery Plan on hand prior to any ground disturbing activities occurring and that a cultural resource monitor be present during any ground disturbing activities.

Thank you for reviewing with the Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation. These comments are based on the information as currently presented. We reserve the right to revise our comments as additional information becomes available. If you have any questions, please contact me at the numbers below.

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On Thu, May 22, 2025 at 12:39 PM Zach Torrance-Smith
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Good afternoon all,

You are receiving this request for shoreline review with an associated 15 day comment period because this application (Preliminary Site Analysis, PSA-25-00169) is proposing a project (30' x 40' Carport) within shoreline jurisdiction that is not exempt from cultural resources review pursuant to Kittitas County SMP 5.1(B)(1)(a). In accordance with the settlement agreement between the Yakama Nation and Kittitas County, Kittitas County Resolution No. 2018-195 and the Department of Ecology Final Approval (letter dated 08/31/21, effective 9/14/21) of the County's amended Shoreline Master Program, Kittitas County is hereby requesting comments regarding the proposed project.

This request is based off of the following amendment to Kittitas County SMP 5.1(B) as shown below:

B. Regulations

1. *Project Approval Requirements.* Prior to issuing a permit, exemption, or other approval for a proposed project in a shoreline area, the County shall determine whether or not a cultural resources review or archaeological survey shall be required under this Section 5.1(B)(1).
 - a. *Exceptions.* No cultural resources review or survey shall be required under this Section 5.1(B)(1) where the project applicant can demonstrate one or more of the following conditions is met:
 - i. The project or use does not include any ground disturbance. Projects that require the insertion of structural elements, but which do not require any excavation and create no spoil piles, shall be considered non-ground-disturbing for purposes of this Section (e.g. driving T-posts, planting tree seedlings with a hoedad).

ii. The project is limited to the installation of infrastructure entirely within the same area as an existing project or development.

iii. The project's entire three-dimensional area of proposed ground-disturbance is located within previous fill or previously disturbed earth.

iv. A professional archaeologist has surveyed the entire project area within the last ten (10) years, and the survey report(s) show that no cultural, archaeological, or historic resources were found.

b. *Cultural Resources Review.* The County shall provide electronic notice and a fifteen (15) day comment opportunity to DAHP and affected Native American tribes for all proposed projects in shoreline areas which are not excluded under Section 5.1(B)(1) (a) above.

i. When applicable, the above notification requirement will be included in the Preliminary Site Analysis process.

ii. Where the proposed project is already subject to a comment period through shoreline permitting and/or SEPA review, this comment period shall be run concurrently.

iii. For shoreline projects that fall under a shoreline exemption permit and have no notification requirement, if not already completed through the Preliminary Site Analysis process, the above notification and cultural resources review requirements will occur prior to the issuance of an exemption permit.

Kittitas County will not act on the attached request until the end of the 15 day comment window. Please respond to this email with any comments regarding this proposal no later than end of business day **June 9, 2025.**

Please contact me should you have any questions.

Best regards,

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