



Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation
Established by the Treaty of June 9, 1855

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April 12, 2017

RE: The Legacy at Prospector LP17-00002

Dear Mr. Pilkington,

Thank you for contacting the Yakama Nation regarding the Legacy at Prospector. This proposal is located within the Ceded Lands of the Yakama Nation, the legal rights to which were established by the Treaty of 1855 (12 Stat. 951), between the Yakama Nation and the United States Government. The Treaty set forth that the Yakama Nation shall retain the rights to resources upon these lands and, therefore, it is with the assistance and backing of the United States Federal Government that Yakama Nation claims authority to protect traditional cultural resources.

The Legacy at Prospector proposal is located in an area of extremely high probability, containing over 12 archaeological sites within 0.5 miles of the project area. Previous archaeological investigations conducted on adjacent lands have documented this area as important historic mining area and Native American landscape. We, therefore, request full survey of the subject property.

Please feel free to contact my office regarding the above. I may be reached at the number below, or you may reach Yakama Nation Archaeologist, Jessica Lally at her email (jessica_lally@yakama.com).

Sincerely,

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