

## **ATTACHMENT J**

### **SECTION 106 CONCURRENCE DOCUMENTATION\***

*\*The following Section 106 correspondence refers to locations contained within the Phase 2A project limits or refers to off-site locations to be used in the project (staging and stockpile sites).*



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January 22, 2014

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In future correspondence please refer to:

Log: 012214-04-FHWA  
Property: i-90 Pass East Phase 2A Staging and Stockpiling  
Re: Archaeology - APE Concur

Dear Mr. Weaver:

We have reviewed the materials forwarded to our office for the above referenced project. Thank you for your description of the area of potential effect (APE) for the project. We concur with the definition of the APE. We look forward to the results of your cultural resources survey efforts, your consultation with the concerned tribes, and receiving the survey report. We would appreciate receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4) and the survey report when it is available.

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in conformance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations 36CFR800. Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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In future correspondence please refer to:

Log: 051208-14-FHWA  
Property: I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East,  
Re: NOT Eligible

Dear Mr. Weaver:

Thank you for contacting the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP). The above referenced project has been reviewed on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer under provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (as amended) and 36 CFR Part 800. My review is based upon documentation contained in your communication.

We concur with your determination that archaeological sites KT-02625 and -03532 (USFS 03-630 and 03-697) are NOT ELIGIBLE for the National Register of Historic Places under criterion D. As a result of this finding, further contact with DAHP is not necessary. However, if additional information on the property becomes available, or if any archaeological resources are uncovered during construction, please halt work in the area of discovery and contact the appropriate Native American Tribes and DAHP for further consultation.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. Should you have any questions, please contact me.

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Date: January 3, 2013

To: Glenda Phillips  
I 90 Snoqualmie Pass East Project File

From: Dean R. Weaver, WSDOT SC Region Archaeologist

Re: Crystal Springs Sno Park Parcel Section 106 Scoping

I have completed initial scoping for the use of this parcel. There are no recorded archaeological sites within the parcel limits. This site, however, is outside the original Area of Potential Effects (APE) for the I90 Snoqualmie Pass East Project. Existing disturbed areas were investigated for the Final Environmental Impact Statement, and no effects were anticipated.

I inspected the parcel on Nov 21, 2013. Cleared portions of the parcel visible in the aerial photo have been cleared down to sterile mineral soils. The vegetated areas were investigated on foot. I found that the vegetation consists of secondary-growth pine and fir with minimal grassy understory. This is regrowth after logging and clearing activities. Soil is glacial outwash with minimal soil development, indicating that buried archaeological materials are unlikely to be present, and less likely still to have survived the recent use of the parcel. No structures other than modern utilitarian buildings are present. The degree of land alteration, vegetation removal and logging virtually eliminated the possibility of continuing traditional cultural properties or practices within the site.

Given the lack of known resources and the low probability that traditional cultural activities continue within the parcel, use of this parcel is a low-risk proposition. The parcel is previously disturbed and does not exhibit elevated probability of significant archaeological deposits. The probability of significant impacts to the project due to Section 106 concerns is minimal. The WSDOT Cultural Resources Program is in possession of sufficient information to make a determination of no historic properties affected for the use of this site.

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Re: I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Project  
Log No.: 062905-06-FHWA

Dear Mr. De Boer;

Thank you for contacting our department. We have reviewed the materials you provide for the proposed Project I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Project in Kittitas County, Washington. We concur with your professional recommendations and your findings of No Historic Properties Affected because site 03-23 and 45KT2196 will be avoided.

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on the behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in conformance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (as amended) and its implementing regulations 36CFR800. We would appreciate receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4).

Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised. In the event that archaeological or historic materials are discovered during project activities, work in the immediate vicinity must stop, the area secured, and this department notified. Thank you for the opportunity to comment and a copy of these comments should be included in subsequent environmental documents.

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In future correspondence please refer to:

Log: 062905-06-FHWA

Property: I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East DBIS & 4(F) Evaluation

Re: No Historic Properties Affected

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Dear Mr. de Boer:

Thank you for contacting the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP). The above referenced project has been reviewed on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer under provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (as amended) and 36 CFR Part 800. My review is based upon documentation contained in your communication.

We concur with your determination of eligibility for sites 03-23 and 45KT2196. We also concur that no historic properties will be affected by the current project as proposed. If additional information on the project becomes available, or if any archaeological resources are uncovered during construction, please halt work in the area of discovery and contact the appropriate Native American Tribes and DAHP for further consultation.

Please note that DAHP requires that all historic property inventory and archaeological site forms be provided to our office electronically. If you have not registered for a copy of the database, please log onto our website at [www.dahp.wa.gov](http://www.dahp.wa.gov) and go to the Survey/Inventory page for more information and a registration form. Also note that DAHP has developed a set of cultural resource reporting guidelines. You can obtain a copy from our website.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. Should you have any questions, please contact me.

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April 10, 2008

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**Re: 1-90 Snoqualmie Pass East, Materials and Mitigation Sites- No Historic Properties**

Dear Dr. Brooks:

The South Central Region of the Washington State Department of Transportation has identified several material sources, staging areas, and wetland mitigation/preservation areas potentially useful for the Snoqualmie Pass East project. I conducted field inspection of these proposed sites in September, 2007. Descriptions of proposed project activities are provided below, along with descriptions of existing conditions, and determinations of project effects.

**Mardee Lake Site:** 3.5 acres of this site may be used for staging, stockpiling, and materials processing. During the field visit, I observed that this parcel has been cleared and leveled, and was being used as a forest waste stockpile. Extensive ground disturbance was observed in the field, and there are no standing structures on the site. Given the level of disturbance and the nature of the proposed activities, the use of this site will have **no effect** on historic properties. Considered separately, this activity would be exempt under the WSDOT Programmatic Agreement, Stipulation B-13

**Crystal Springs Sno-Park:** This 78-acre site has been cleared, leveled, and surfaced with gravel, and various portions have been surface-mined in the past. Crystal Springs will not be used as a materials source due to the poor quality of the aggregate mined here in the past, but it would be useful as a staging, stockpiling, wasting, and processing location. Given the conditions at the site and the limited nature of the proposed activities, the use of this site will have no effect on historic properties. Considered separately, this activity would be exempt under the WSDOT Programmatic Agreement, Stipulation B-13

**Kachess Lake Stockpile Site:** This existing pit site (PS-S-256) may be used for materials staging, stockpiling and processing. WSDOT consulted on similar use of the site in 1994-1995, and the SHPO concurred on a determination of no historic properties

affected. The current proposed use is very similar to that proposed in 1994, and is expected to result in **no effect** to historic properties.

**Multiple Sites at Hyak:** These proposed staging areas include the Hyak Condo Parking Lots and WSDOT's Hyak Interchange Gore Area and Hyak Maintenance, all adjacent to the Lake Mardee Road interchange. All of these areas are fully graded and surfaced, and staging at these locations will have **no effect** on historic properties. Considered separately, this activity would be exempt under the WSDOT Programmatic Agreement, Stipulation B-13

**Price Creek Eastbound Rest Area and Westbound Sno-Park:** This existing facility is proposed for use as a staging, stockpiling, and processing site, as the facilities are already slated for closure. The interim rest area will be dismantled. This area was within the Area of Potential Effects for the I-90 Hyak Easton Project and was surveyed in 2002. Given the degree of disturbance related to the original construction of these facilities and the negative results of the archaeological survey, the proposed change in land use should result in **no effect** to historic properties. Considered separately, this activity would be exempt under the WSDOT Programmatic Agreement, Stipulation B-13.

**Stampede Pass Maintenance Facility and Interchange Area:** This existing facility is proposed for use as a staging, stockpiling and materials processing area. Both the maintenance facility and the adjacent interchange area have been completely cleared, graded, and surfaced. Given the degree of disturbance related to the original construction of the facility, the proposed use should result in **no effect** to historic properties. Considered separately, this activity would be exempt under the WSDOT Programmatic Agreement, Stipulation B-13.

**Gold Creek Roadway:** This activity is related the removal of the existing bridges and road fill, and their replacement with longer bridges. The removal of these existing elements is expected to result in a restoration of the wetlands. All work will be within the area disturbed by the original construction of I-90, and the entire footprint of the work has been covered by the surveys of the project area conducted by Archaeological and Historical Services. No historic properties were identified in the vicinity of the proposed wetland work. Given these factors, the Gold Creek Roadway Restoration should result in **no effect** to historic properties.

**Mardee Lake Wetlands:** This 27-acre site is currently in private ownership and may be acquired by WSDOT. If this transaction is completed, the area will be **preserved** in place rather than altered and enhanced. This activity would have **no effect** on historic properties.

**Gold Creek and Mardee Ridge:** These two wetlands sites (8.7 and 2.5 acres, respectively), may be purchased by either WSDOT or an affiliated partnership, and left intact as a wetland, similar to Mardee Lake Wetlands above. This activity would have **no effect** on historic properties.



**Townsend Creek US10 Roadway:** This wetland site is bisected by the former US10 road grade. Removal of the fill from this grade is expected to restore the wetland condition extant before the construction of US10. The wetland work will take place within the area disturbed by the original construction of US10. The road grade itself lacks associative value and engineering distinction, and is **not eligible** for the National Register under any criterion. This wetland work is therefore expected to have **no effect** on historic properties.

**Roadway at Bonnie Creek:** WSDOT plans to replace the existing bridge and culverts over Bonnie Creek with a new 600' bridge. The removal of bridges and fill is expected to restore habitat connectivity severed by the original construction of I-90. This area is within the I-90 Hyak-Easton Area of Potential Effects and was surveyed by AHS in 2002. No historic properties were identified at this location. Given the negative results of the survey and the fact that the work will take place in areas disturbed by the original construction of I-90, this wetland restoration is expected to have **no effect** on historic properties.

**Upper Kacheelus Lake:** This 2.1 acre wetland site occupies the site of a former gravel pit. The existing wetlands are expected to be mostly preserved in place. The gravel pit excavations, however, are expected to be backfilled in order to restore the pre-excavation environmental conditions, and to prevent habitat segmentation during time of low water. Given the degree of existing disturbance and the limited scope of proposed activities, this activity is expected to have **no effect** on historic properties.

**Gold Creek Upper West Site:** This 26 acre, high-quality wetland site is scheduled for preservation in place. This activity would have **no effect** on historic properties.

I look forward to your concurrence with our determination of **no effect** to historic properties for this project. Should you have concerns regarding the project, please contact me at 509-324-6509, email at [weaverd@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:weaverd@wsdot.wa.gov), or Virginia Stone at 509-577-1692, email at [stonev@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:stonev@wsdot.wa.gov). Thank you for your interest in the project.

Sincerely,



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**Re: 1-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Additional Wetland Mitigation Sites- No Historic Properties**

**DAHP Log # 051208-14-FHWA**

Dear Dr. Brooks:

The South Central Region of the Washington State Department of Transportation has identified several material sources, staging areas, and wetland mitigation/preservation areas potentially useful for the Snoqualmie Pass East project. I conducted field inspection of these proposed sites in September, 2007. Descriptions of proposed project activities are provided below, along with descriptions of existing conditions, and determinations of project effects.

This letter encompasses three proposed wetland mitigation sites. Use of these sites for materials and staging purposes was covered in WSDOT's 4110108 letter to DAHP. This letter covers the additional related wetland mitigation use of three of these locations.

**Crystal Springs Sno-Park:** This 78-acre site has been cleared, leveled, and surfaced with gravel, and various portions have been surface-mined in the past. Crystal Springs will not be used as a materials source due to the poor quality of the aggregate mined here in the past, but it would be useful as a staging, stockpiling, wasting, and processing location.

In addition to the above use, the site may be useful for wetland mitigation and restoration as well. The wetland creation would take place in a large, shallow existing excavation within the most heavily disturbed portion of the site (see attached figure). The wetland creation area totals 3.1 acres, and six additional acres may be preserved, with no potential to affect historic properties. Given the degree of disturbance, it is my opinion that the proposed wetland creation will not affect historic properties.

**Price Creek Sno-Park:** This existing facility is proposed for use as a staging, stockpiling, and processing site, and was included in WSDOT's 4/10 letter to DAHP. Five small wetlands currently exist in artificial depressions within the existing sno-park. The proposed wetland mitigation would involve the removal of existing fill and creation of 1.8 acre of wetland, along with noninvasive buffer protection.

This area was within the Area of Potential Effects for the 1-90 Hyak Easton Project and was surveyed in 2002. No historic properties were identified during the survey. Given the degree of disturbance related to the original construction of the existing facilities and the negative results of the archaeological survey, the proposed change in land use should result in **no effect** to historic properties.

**Stampede Pass Maintenance Facility and Interchange Area:** This existing facility is proposed for use as a staging, stockpiling and materials processing area. Both the maintenance facility and the adjacent interchange area have been completely cleared, graded, and surfaced. There is a small strip of existing wetlands along the south edge of the property. Fill removal is proposed, and is expected to result in the restoration of 0.3 acres of wetland.

This area was within the Area of Potential Effects for the 1-90 Hyak Easton Project and was surveyed in 2002. Given the degree of disturbance related to the original construction of the facility and the negative results of the archaeological survey, the proposed use should result in **no effect** to historic properties.

I look forward to your concurrence with our determination of **no effect** to historic properties for this project. Should you have concerns regarding the project, please contact me at 509-324-6509, email at [weaverd@wsdot.wa.gov](mailto:weaverd@wsdot.wa.gov). Thank you for your interest in the project.

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Log: 051208-14-FHWA

Property: I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East, Materials and Mitigation Sites

Re: Archaeology - No Historic Properties

Dear Mr. Weaver:

Thank you for contacting our office and providing a copy of the information on the materials and mitigation sites associated with the Snoqualmie Pass East project. We concur with your finding of No Historic Properties Effected for the 13 locations reviewed in the document.

We would appreciate receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4).

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on the behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in conformance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations 36CFR800.

Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised. In the event that archaeological or historic materials are discovered during project activities, work in the immediate vicinity must stop, the area secured, and this office and the concerned tribes notified.

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Log: 051208-14-FHWA  
Property: I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East, Materials and Mitigation Sites  
Re: Archaeology - No Historic Properties

Dear Mr. Weaver:

Thank you for contacting our office and providing information on the three areas identified as wetland mitigation areas. Project use, as described in your letter, of Crystal Springs and Price Creek Sno-Parks, as well as the Stampede Pass Maintenance Facility area does not appear to result in an affect to historic properties. We concur with your finding of No Historic Properties Effected.

We would appreciate receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4).

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on the behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in conformance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations 36CFR800.

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