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Chelsea Benner Kittitas County Community Development 411 N. Ruby St., Suite 2 Ellensburg, WA 98926

Re: SE-19-00014

Dear Chelsea Benner:

Thank you for opportunity to comment on the pre-threshold determination for the Love's Travel Stop facility. We have reviewed the environmental checklist and have the following comment.

WATER QUALITY

Project with Potential to Discharge Off-Site

If the project anticipates disturbing ground with the potential for stormwater discharge off-site, the NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit is recommended. This permit requires that the SEPA checklist fully disclose anticipated activities including building, road construction and utility placements. Obtaining a permit may take 38-60 days.

The permit requires that a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (Erosion Sediment Control Plan) shall be prepared and implemented for all permitted construction sites. These control measures <u>must</u> be able to prevent soil from being carried into surface water and storm drains by stormwater runoff. Permit coverage and erosion control measures must be in place prior to any clearing, grading, or construction.

In the event that an unpermitted Stormwater discharge does occur off-site, it is a violation of Chapter 90.48 RCW, Water Pollution Control and is subject to enforcement action.

More information on the stormwater program may be found on Ecology's stormwater website at: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/. Please submit an application or contact **Lloyd Stevens, Jr.** at the Dept. of Ecology, 509-574-3991, with questions about this permit.

Sincerely,

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