APPENDIX B
Section 106 of NHPA and Government-to-Government Consultation

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Government-to-Government Consultation
July 23, 2018

Mr. Benjamin Joseph
Tribal Chairman
Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe
5318 Chief Brown Lane
Darrington, WA 98241

Proposed Commercial Service
Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field

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Sincerely,

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Mr. Shawn Yanity  
Chairperson, Stillaguamish Board of Directors  
Stillaguamish Reservation  
P.O. Box 277  
Stillaguamish, WA  98223

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Ms. Debra Posey
Interim CEO
Tulalip Tribes of Washington
6406 Marine Drive
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Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation Consultation
July 26, 2018

Ms. Cayla Morgan
Federal Aviation Administration
1601 Lind Avenue, SW
Suite 250
Renton, WA 98057

In future correspondence please refer to:
Project Tracking Code: 2018-07-05759
Property: Initiation of Proposed Commercial Service at Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field
Re: Project Initiation, More Information Needed

Dear Ms. Morgan:

Thank you for contacting the Washington State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) and Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) regarding the proposed changes at Paine Field. I have reviewed the materials you provided for this project. Thank you for providing the vicinity map of the area, however, the 2019 and 2024 DNL 65 contour maps that were mentioned in your letter were not included in the packet. In order to effectively determine the extent of possible noise (indirect) impacts to historic properties, I will need to review those maps. Ultimately, the production of a single APE map defining the proposed project boundaries would be ideal.

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(360) 586-3082
matthew.sterner@dahp.wa.gov
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I had a chance to look over what you sent to me and I’m sorry to say that I’m going to need a bit more from you. While I appreciate the vicinity map, you don’t have any APE boundaries depicted on it. From the description in the letter, I think I could have dealt with that for the boundary of the ‘direct’ APE, as you called it, but the 2019 and 2024 DNL 65 maps that are referenced as “enclosed” are actually not. Without those, I have no way to evaluate potential impacts to historic properties that might be most affected by the increased noise levels. I have enclosed a letter to that effect.

Thanks Cayla. And I’m sorry that I couldn’t just “button this one up” for you in one shot.

Matthew

Matthew Sterner, M.A.
Hi Matthew,

Please see the attachments that I loaded into the WISSARD. I was not able to figure out how to use the APE tool so am attaching a topo. I called Annie and she wasn’t familiar enough with that feature so recommended I send to you via email. I am hopeful that everything loaded successfully. I had a rather difficult time with the system and had to redo it four times. I know that a lot of this is likely user issues 😊 but given that I have a deadline to initiate consultation as a larger part of the schedule, wanted to get this email to you as well. Please let me know if you were able to receive the information in the WISSARD system.

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Property: Initiation of Proposed Commercial Service at Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field  
Re:    APE Concur

Dear Ms. Morgan:

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I concur with your definition of the APE. Please provide us with your survey methodology before proceeding with any inventories. Along with the results of the inventory we will need to review your consultation with the concerned tribes, and other interested/affected parties. Please provide any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes and/or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36 CFR 800.4(a)(4).

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Hi Matthew,

Because there will not be any ground disturbance associated with this project, it will be the overflight and change of contours that may affect potentially eligible historic properties. Accordingly, the methodology below from ESA is what will be used for this evaluation. Please let us know if you have comments or questions.

Thanks,

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Hi Cayla,

Paula sent me the information below; I think it should work for sending to Matthew.

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Please let me know if you need anything further.

Thanks!

Autumn

Autumn Ward, CM, ENV SP
Senior Managing Associate
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Hi Autumn,

I think that approach is fine and believe it is that way in the scope but if you can have Paula write a brief paragraph on the methodology, I will send to Matthew with a cc to you.

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Hi Cayla,

I spoke with Paula about this letter. She said our methodology was to review the State’s database WISAARD (Washington Information System for Architectural & Archaeological Records Data). Since there is no ground disturbance, we did not budget/schedule for physical surveys. Since there are no sites within the APE, I would expect this approach would be OK – should we confirm with Matthew prior to submitted our Determination findings?

Thanks,

Autumn

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Hi Autumn,
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Subject: RE: WISSARD - Initiate Consultation

Good Morning Cayla,

I’m comfortable treating the 65 dB contour as the maximum extent of the APE.

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Matthew Sterner, M.A.
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I had a chance to look over what you sent to me and I’m sorry to say that I’m going to need a bit more from you. While I appreciate the vicinity map, you don’t have any APE boundaries depicted on it. From the description in the letter, I think I could have dealt with that for the boundary of the ‘direct’ APE, as you called it, but the 2019 and 2024 DNL 65 maps that are referenced as “enclosed” are actually not. Without those, I have no way to evaluate potential impacts to historic properties that might be most affected by the increased noise levels. I have enclosed a letter to that effect.

Thanks Cayla. And I’m sorry that I couldn’t just “button this one up” for you in one shot.

Matthew

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To: Sterner, Matthew (DAHP)
Subject: WISSARD - Initiate Consultation

Hi Matthew,

Please see the attachments that I loaded into the WISSARD. I was not able to figure out how to use the APE tool so am attaching a topo. I called Annie and she wasn’t familiar enough with that feature so recommended I send to you via email. I am hopeful that everything loaded successfully. I had a rather difficult time with the system and had to redo it four times. I know that a lot of this is likely user issues 😊 but given that I have a deadline to initiate consultation as a larger part of the schedule, wanted to get this email to you as well. Please let me know if you were able to receive the information in the WISSARD system.

Thanks,

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My new address is: **2200 S. 216th Street, Des Moines, WA. 98198**