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September 24, 2024

Portland Area Indian Health Services
ATTN: Christopher Vaught
1414 NW Northrup Street
Portland, OR 97209

Re: Coastal Zone Management Federal Consistency Decision for IHS NW Regional Specialty Referral Center, Fife, Pierce County, Washington

Dear Christopher Vaught:

On July 23, 2024, the United States Portland Area Indian Health Services (IHS) submitted a Consistency Determination with the Washington State Coastal Zone Management Program (CZMP). Ecology issued a 21-day public notice on July 30, 2024, and received no comments.

The IHS proposes to build a Northwest Regional Specialty Referral Center (NW RSRC) for American Indians/Alaska Natives living in the northwest portion of Washington, including the Olympic Peninsula and Puget Sound. It will also provide specialty care to the most vulnerable populations from the other two defined regional service areas (future RSRCs near Portland, Oregon and Spokane, Washington). It will be a new facility constructed on tribal trust land leased from the Puyallup Tribe of Tacoma, Washington, located at 3700 Pacific Highway East, in Fife, Washington.

The site is fully developed with surface parking and landscaping consisting of mature trees, shrubs and grass that provide a buffer around the parking areas, including the existing Puyallup Tribe Integrative Medicine Building located on the southern portion of the site and an ATM Kiosk located on the northern portion. The site is bounded on the north by the Pacific Highway East; on the east by property owned by the City of Fife planned as a future park; on the south by Interstate 5; and on the west by commercial property. According to Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), Pierce County, Washington and Incorporated Areas, Panel 0307E, Map Number 53053C0307E effective date March 7, 2017, the project site not located in the 100-year floodplain.

Pursuant to Section 307(c)(3) of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 as amended, Ecology concurs with the IHS' determination that the proposed work is consistent with Washington's CZMP.

If you have any questions regarding Ecology's decision, please contact Teresa Pucylowski at teressa.pucylowski@ecy.wa.gov.

Your right to appeal

You have a right to appeal this decision to the Pollution Control Hearings Board (PCHB) within 30 days of the date of receipt. The appeal process is governed by Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC. "Date of receipt" is defined in RCW 43.21B.001(2).

To appeal, you must do all of the following within 30 days of the date of receipt of this decision:

- File your notice of appeal and a copy of this decision with the PCHB (see filing information below). "Filing" means actual receipt by the PCHB during regular business hours as defined in WAC 371-08-305 and -335. "Notice of appeal" is defined in WAC 371-08-340.
- Serve a copy of your notice of appeal and this decision on the Department of Ecology mail, in person, or by email (see addresses below).

You must also comply with other applicable requirements in Chapter 43.21B RCW and Chapter 371-08 WAC.

Filing an appeal

Filing with the PCHB

For the most current information regarding filing with the PCHB, visit: <https://eluh0.wa.gov/> or call: 360-664-9160.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Loree' Randall". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Loree' Randall, Section Manager
Aquatic Permitting & Protection Section
Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program

Sent via e-mail: Christopher.vaught@ihs.gov

E-cc: Teresa Pucylowski, Ecology
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