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Edrie Risdon Chelan County Public Utility District PO Box 1231 Wenatchee, WA 98807

RE: 202303169; Wenatchee Riverfront Park Revitalization

Dear Edrie Risdon:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Determination of Non-Significance for the Wenatchee Riverfront Park Revitalization. We have reviewed the documents and have the following comments.

Toxics Cleanup

 The facility addressed in this proposal is a known (or suspected) contaminated site on Ecology's Confirmed and Suspected Contaminant Sites List, <u>Cleanup Site ID 4085 - Wenatchee City</u> <u>Worthen St Landfill</u> (<u>https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/4085</u>), Ecology Facility/Site ID # 343.

Hazardous substances may be present at the site in amounts and/or concentrations likely to affect human health or the environment. Site cleanup may be required in the future by Ecology under the Model Toxics Control Act. Site characterization and/or cleanup may be desirable prior to site alteration or development.

- The proposed action is also adjacent to a known contaminated site, <u>CSID 13010 Wenatchee</u> <u>Riverfront Ice Arena (https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/13010</u>), Ecology Facility/Site ID 15885.
 Contaminants may be present at the site of the proposed action. If contamination is discovered, it must be reported to the Department of Ecology, Central Regional Office. Contaminated soils or water may require special handling and/or disposal to protect site workers, visitors, public health, or the environment.
- 3. Additionally, historical aerial photos indicate sections of your project was occupied by orchard during the period when lead arsenate was applied as a pesticide, often resulting in shallow soil contamination from lead and/or arsenic. Ecology doesn't require soil sampling; however, there is a high likelihood that sections of this project have soil with elevated concentrations of lead and arsenic. Additional information, including precautions you can take to reduce exposure, is available at https://ecology.wa.gov/dirtalert.

Please contact Hector Casique, Toxics Cleanup Project Manager, at 509-208-1288 or email hector.casique@ecy.wa.gov if you have any questions.

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Water Quality

Project with Potential to Discharge Off-Site

If your 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: <u>http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/</u>. Please submit an application or contact **Wendy Neet** at the Dept. of Ecology,509-571-6733. or wnee461@ecy.wa.gov with questions about this permit.

Sincerely,

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