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WSDOT Local Programs
P.O. Box 47390
310 Maple Park Avenue
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Re: Initiation of Confluence Parkway Environmental Assessment

Dear Kathleen Davis:

The Federal Highway Administration, WSDOT Local Programs, and the City of Wenatchee are initiating the environmental review process as an Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Confluence Parkway Project. Cooperating agencies, participating agencies, and interested Tribes are as follows:

Cooperating Agencies:

- Chelan County Public Utility District
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Chelan-Douglas Transportation Council
- Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation
- Federal Emergency Management Agency
- Link Transit
- National Marine Fisheries Service
- U.S. Coast Guard
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- U.S. Department of Fish and Wildlife

Participating Agencies:

- Chelan County Department of Natural Resources
- Chelan County Fire District 1
- Port of Chelan County
- Washington Department of Ecology
- Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Washington Department of Natural Resources
- Washington State Parks
- Washington State Utilities and Transportation Commission

Interested Tribes:

- Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
- Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation

This project proposes to build a 2.5-mile, two-lane arterial street that would begin on Euclid Avenue just north of Penny Road, bridge the Wenatchee River, and extend south to Miller Street. The parkway would have one 11-foot-wide travel lane in each direction with other features, such as railroad underpass, left-turn pockets, intersection re-configurations at Miller, Wenatchee Avenue and Maple Street, sidewalks, and pedestrian/bicycle facilities, varying by location. The project is located in Wenatchee, Washington, 98801. The estimated cost of the project is approximately \$123 million. More information can be found at www.wenatcheewa.gov/confluenceparkway.

The project expects to meet the following milestones:

EA Milestone	Date
EA Start Date (date of letter)	July 19, 2019
Estimated EA Publication Date	August 15, 2020
Estimated Date of Decision document	September 30, 2020

The following list includes the federal permits and approvals this project will likely require. The Local Programs office will notify FHWA if further studies reveal that additional permits or approvals are needed so that they can be added to the Federal Permitting Dashboard:

Federal Approvals

- Bald and Golden Eagle Projection Permit (FWS)
- Bald and Golden Eagle Programmatic Take Permit (FWS)
- Conditional Letter of Map Revision (DHS) – (*floodplain, FEMA*)
- Consultation to Protect Essential Fish Habitat (NOAA)
- Floodplain or Wetland Assessment (All Federal agencies)
- Migratory Bird Treaty Act Permits (FWS)
- Section 4(f) Determination (DOT)
- FERC approval through Chelan County PUD associated with Rock Island Hydro Project License

Federal Environmental Permits

Endangered Species Act Consultation – USFWS and NOAA

Magnuson-Steven Fishery Conservation and Management Act, Section 305 Essential Fish
Habitat Consultation – NOAA

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act – Advisory Council on Historic
Preservation

USACE Regulatory Authorization (Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899; and
Section 404 of the Clean Water Act) USACE

Schedule milestones required by the Federal Permitting Dashboard will be submitted by October 18,
2019.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss in more detail the Confluence Parkway
Project please contact Steve King at 509-888-3203 or via email at sking@wenatcheewa.gov.

Thank you for your cooperation and interest in this project.

Sincerely,

CITY OF WENATCHEE



Steve King, PE
Economic Development Director