

December 22, 2015

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RE: Riverfront Park Redevelopment Project

Ms. Guhlke:

Thank you for inviting the Spokane Tribe of Indians to be a consulting party is greatly appreciated.

We have reviewed the scope of work forwarded to our office for the project mention above; we are concerned that the project area potentially contains cultural resources which would be impacted by the proposed ground disturbing action.

Expressing the Spokane tribe concern in this sensitive area, this area has lot of history and TCP affected geographic area that be impacted, this project may require a COR permit, that might trigger section 106.

Recommendation: Cultural Survey Sub-surface testing and monitoring. Also an Inadvertent Discovery plan implemented into the scope or work.

There are some unique features that would like to discuss with you such as interpretation and signage, tribal history of this sacred place, renaming Canada Island.

However if any artifacts or human remains are found upon excavation activity this office is to be notified and the immediate area cease.

Should additional information become available our assessment may be revised.

Again thank you for this opportunity to comment and consider this a positive action that will assist us in protecting our shared heritage.

If questions arise, please contact me at (509) 258 – 4315.

Sincerely,

Randy Abrahamson
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer