



Allyson Brooks Ph.D., Director
State Historic Preservation Officer

February 24, 2021

Ms. Rowena Defato
EDA
915 Second Avenue, Rm 1890
Seattle, Washington 98174

Re: Anacortes Optic Fiber Expansion Project
Log No.: 2021-02-01070-EDA

Dear Ms. Defato:

We have been contacted by Ms. Joann Stewart, representing the City of Anacortes. We have reviewed the materials she provided for the proposed Anacortes Optic Fiber Expansion Project, Skagit County, Washington.

We concur with the determination of the Area of Potential Effect (APE) as described and presented in the attached figures and text.

We look forward to receiving the results of the cultural resources review, the professional archaeological review and monitoring plan, consultations with concerned tribes, and the Determination of Effect.

We would also appreciate receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4).

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in compliance with the Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, and its implementing regulations 36CFR800.4.). Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Rob Whitlam', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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