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ATTN: Travis Simmons
Department of Community Development
Senior Planner
City of Sequim

February 5th, 2025

**Re: Notice of SEPA MDNS for SUB-24-004 Bella Vista Estates Preliminary Major Subdivision**

Dear Travis,

The Jamestown S'Klallam Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) has received information regarding the Bella Vista Estates Preliminary Major Subdivision project at Clallam County tax parcel 033029240100 and 033029249015 located south of Miller Road, Sequim, WA. The project is within a very high potential location for encountering cultural resources as the parcel is near the Sequim Bypass Site (45CA426). This site was subject to data recovery in the past; however, the full extent of the site is unknown and little work has been conducted within the proposed project area. Site 45CA426 provides evidence of tool-making technologies dating back as far as 4,000-8,000 years before present (YBP) as well as documentation of S'Klallam utilization/management of the spə́ɬx̣ən (Sequim Prairie) as recent as 170 YBP.

The THPO highly recommends a cultural resource survey prior to any project ground disturbing activities. Please provide the THPO advanced notification of when the cultural resource survey is scheduled as we would like to conduct a site visit.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposed project. Please contact me at 360-681-4638 or ataylor@jamestowntribe.org for more information.

Sincerely,

Allie Rae Taylor
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe