Washington State Department of Transportation

Memorandum

Date: August 25, 2011

To: Project File, NSC Rail extension North of Francis.

From: Dean R. Weaver, WSDOT Eastern Region Archaeologist

Re: Section 106 Status

At the request of the project office and the environmental manager, I inspected the above-named rail extension project. The area to be cut consists entirely of fill moved from the former GN-BN-BNSF railroad yards. While it contains railroad-related archaeological material, it is all in secondary (disturbed) context and no meaningful archaeological interpretation is possible. This undertaking has been duly reviewed for effects on cultural resources, and no further consultation need take place on this element of the North Spokane Corridor.

The above facts are correct to the best of my knowledge. I am a WSDOT Cultural Resources Specialist meeting all applicable Federal and State Professional Standards.

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