

#### **West Side Trail**

Fall City Metropolitan Park District (FCMPD)

Otak # 32649

# Technical Memorandum #6



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By: Mark Cole, P.E. Date: June 28, 2017

This design memorandum presents criteria, recommendations, and other relevant information for project consideration on the above referenced subject.

## Acknowledgement:

Significant discussion and agency comments	<u>Otak</u>	initials
during review are incorporated and reflected by	Mark Cole, PE, Proj.Mgr.	
date-revision, when shown. Information	F.C.M.P.D.	initials
presented herein represents final concurrence		
and direction on referenced subject.	Kirk Harris, Commissioner	

#### Introduction

The purpose of this design memorandum is to highlight key findings, design considerations, and recommendations from a cultural resources assessment conducted in support of preliminary design for the proposed West Side Trail project. This assessment, performed by Cultural Resources Consultants, is summarized in report titled <u>Cultural Resources Assessment for the Fall City West Side Trail Project</u>, Fall City, King County, Washington, dated June 20, 2017. The full report, included as an attachment, provides a completed detailed summary of the research and field investigation; findings and recommendations; and Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) and tribal agencies coordination efforts.

### Highlight Summary of Assessment, Findings, and Recommendations

• One above ground historic-era structure, concrete steps and a rock/concrete wall, was identified and recorded as a historic-era archaeological site. Based on historic register criteria determined not eligible for listing on National Register of Historic Places (NPS 2002) and

the Washington Heritage Register (DAHP 2017c). Moving or altering would not constitute a negative impact to the site.

- The majority of the project location has was found to have undergone previous disturbances and appears a low likelihood that significant (i.e. intact) cultural resource exists within the project location and no further investigation is recommended.
- Informational letter of inquiry was solicited to the Snoqualmie, Snohomish, Duwamish, and Muckleshoot tribal agencies.
- The referenced Cultural Resources Assessment received review concurrence by DAHP, letter dated June 22, 2017, attached.
- If future construction activities result in the inadvertent discovery of archaeological resources, work should be halted in the immediate area, and contact made with county officials, the technical staff at DAHP, and tribal representatives.

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

June 22, 2017

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In future correspondence please refer to: Project Tracking Code: 2017-05-03871

Property: Cultural Resources Assessment for the Fall City West Side Trail Project, Fall City, King

County, Washington

Re: Receipt of Report, Not Eligible

Dear Ms. Kassa:

Thank you for contacting the Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) and providing your cultural resources report. The Fall City Trail project has been reviewed on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO).

I agree with your recommendation that the archaeological resource identified as 45KI1332, remnants of an old schoolhouse, is not eligible for listing in the state or federal register. As such, and in light of your negative findings of cultural materials throughout the project area, I believe that the project will have no effect on cultural resources and may proceed without further consultation with our agency. Please inform your client of this review and decision.

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) in conformance with state law. Also, we appreciate receiving copies of any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes and other parties that you receive as you consult on this project. Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised.

Finally, please note that in order to streamline our responses, DAHP requires that all documents related to project reviews be submitted electronically. Correspondence, reports, notices, photos, etc. must now be submitted in PDF or JPG format. For more information about how to submit documents to DAHP please visit: http://www.dahp.wa.gov/programs/shpo-compliance. To assist you in conducting a cultural resource survey and inventory effort, DAHP has developed guidelines including requirements for survey reports. You can view or download a copy from our website.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Matthew Sterner, M.A. Transportation Archaeologist (360) 586-3082 matthew.sterner@dahp.wa.gov

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## Significant Discussion Topics during Agency (Client) Memorandum Review

The below summary represent relevant discussion occurring during agency memorandum review in validating presented information and incorporating memorandum changes to reflect final agency direction.

[To be completed at time of final concurrence]