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RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE

May 7, 2018

Tom Murdoch Snohomish County Parks, Recreation & Tourism 6705 Puget Park Drive Snohomish, WA 98296

Re:

Paradise Valley, RCO #99-1705A

Dear Mr. Murdoch:

This is in reply to your letter dated April 21, 2018, requesting RCO reconsider its determination of a conversion at Paradise Valley. I appreciate you taking the time to explain the history of your interactions with the original landowners.

The life estate was a recognized condition in the deed of right, however, any other conditions that the county agreed to were not included. As you are aware, the deed of right prohibits a use that is inconsistent with salmon recovery purposes.

I have discussed your request with our director and deputy director. As a result of our discussion, please consider this confirmation of RCO's determination that the portion of the property currently leased to Farmer Frog is an inconsistent use and has created a conversion. As such, replacement is required by administrative rule and board policy.

I am available to work with county staff through the conversion approval process. I would be happy to schedule a conference call with the staff person who will be working on the conversion to discuss next steps.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (360) 902-2976 or email myra.barker@rco.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Myra Barker

Compliance Specialist

Myra Barker

Cc: Tom

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