

March 11, 2024

To: Sonja Cady, Thurston County Land Use Clerk

From: City of Centralia

Project #: 2021100996 Centralia Hydro Dam Fish Trap

Subject: Notice of Public Hearing – City of Centralia Support

Dear Ms. Cady:

The purpose of this letter is to express City of Centralia (City), Yelm Hydroelectric Project is in support of the proposed project #2021100996 – Centralia Hydro Dam Fish Trap. The project is located on City property at the City's Hydroelectric Dam in Yelm, Washington. The City understands that the project will not affect hydroelectric operations for the City. It is also understood that the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) will be the project lead during construction and that both WDFW and the Nisqually Indian Tribe (NIT) will jointly maintain and operate the Fish Trap system.

The City, WDFW, and NIT have collaborated throughout the design phase of the project to ensure any potential dam safety concerns have been addressed. The City, WDFW and the NIT maintain a great working relationship. The City of Centralia is fully supportive of the proposed project.

Sincerely

Patty Page, P.E.

City Engineer | Chief Dam Safety Engineer

City of Centralia

Ryan Huber, P.E. Generation Manager

Yelm Hydroelectric Project

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