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**Federal Aviation  
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September 3, 2009

Mr. Shawn Yanity  
Chairperson, Stillaquamish Board of Directors  
Stillaquamish Reservation  
P.O. Box 277  
Arlington, WA 98223

Proposed Commercial Service Operation  
Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field

Dear Mr. Yanity:

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) would like to initiate consultation with you in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, and implementing regulations 36 CFR Part 800 for the aforementioned project. We are also initiating consultation in accordance with Executive Order 13175, Consultation and Coordination with Indian and Tribal Governments and FAA Order 1210.20, American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal Consultation Policy and Procedures.

Horizon Air and Allegiant Air have requested an operations specification to commence scheduled commercial service operations at Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field (Paine Field). The initiation of scheduled commercial service also requires a change in the airport's Federal Aviation Regulation (FAR) Part 139 Operating Certificate from a Class IV to a Class I. Paine Field staff has also requested Airport Improvement Program funding for terminal modifications to more efficiently accommodate the airline passengers. Each of these comprises the federal undertaking for this project.

The project will only involve a minimal amount of ground disturbance adjacent to the existing terminal. Since this will occur in an area that has been previously disturbed, a cultural resources inventory has not been prepared. However, a noise analysis has been prepared to determine if there will be any increase over historic properties. The Area of Potential Effect (APE) is defined by the 65 dB Day-Night Level (DNL) contours prepared for each of the forecast years. The noise analysis found that there will be a slight increase in the noise contour for each year, but not over historic properties. Accordingly, we find that no historic properties will be affected by this project and request your concurrence.

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss aspects of the project in further detail, please do not hesitate to contact me at (425) 227-2653.

Sincerely,

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Sauk-Suiattle Indian Reservation  
5318 Chief Brown Lane  
Darrington, WA 98241

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Mr. Stanley Jones, Sr.  
Chairperson, Tulalip Board of Directors  
Tulalip Reservation  
6700 Totem Beach Road  
Marysville, WA 98270

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