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In future correspondence please refer to:  
Log: 091609-08-FAA  
Property: Proposed Commercial Service Operation, Paine Field  
Re: Archaeology - No Historic Properties

October 28, 2009

Dear Ms. Morgan:

Thank you for contacting our office and providing additional information on the proposed project. We concur with your determination that no historic properties will be affected so long as construction does not exceed previous construction depths. Please be certain to have an inadvertent discovery plan in place prior to construction.

We appreciate receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4).

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on the behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in conformance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations 36CFR800. Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised. In the event that archaeological or historic materials are discovered during project activities, work in the immediate vicinity must stop, the area secured, and this office and the concerned tribes notified.

Please note that effective Nov. 2, 2009, DAHP requires that all cultural resource reports be submitted in PDF format on a labeled CD along with an unbound paper copy. For further information please go to http://www.dahp.wa.gov/documents/CR_ReportPDF_Requirement.pdf.

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

Sincerely,

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Re: More Information Needed

Dear Ms. Morgan:

Thank you for contacting our office. I have reviewed the project description and maps that you provided for this project. I concur with your definition of the area of potential effect (APE). In order to complete our review we request the following material to be provided to our office:

- Your letter indicates that all work will be conducted in “an area that has been previously disturbed,” but there is no information to justify or corroborate this statement. Has there been geotechnical work that can substantiate this assertion?
- The enclosed maps do not indicate exactly where ground disturbing activities will occur. In a recent telephone conversation, you indicated that construction would be adjacent to existing structures. Could you please provide more detailed maps that better depict exactly where ground-disturbing activities will occur?
- Could you please describe the nature of the proposed construction? I cannot recall from our telephone conversation if a specific depth of excavation was mentioned and that information is not included in the documentation that you provided to our office.

I would appreciate receiving any correspondence or comments from concerned tribes or other parties that you receive as you consult under the requirements of 36CFR800.4(a)(4) and the survey report when it is available.

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and its implementing regulations 36CFR800. Please contact me should you have any specific questions about our request and we look forward to receiving this material.
Please note that DAHP has developed a set of cultural resource reporting guidelines. You can obtain a copy of these guidelines from our Web site. Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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Proposed Commercial Service Operation
Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field

Dear Mr. Sterner:

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.

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,

[Signature]

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Enclosures
September 28, 2009

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Proposed Commercial Service Operation
Snohomish County Airport/Paine Field
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Dear Mr. Sterner:

This is in response to your September 16, 2009 letter wherein you requested more information on the above referenced proposal. Specifically, you requested information on the type of construction and the nature of the ground disturbance associated with this project. An addition of a modular building to the existing terminal is the only construction for this proposal. We have enclosed maps and a photograph depicting this project.

The construction calls for the installation of a modular building on the existing asphalt terminal ramp as shown on enclosed exhibit A3. A covered walkway will provide the connection between this modular building and the existing terminal and will be used as the bag claim area. The majority of this walkway is currently paved, but approximately 1,000 square feet of an existing grassed area will be paved (see red highlight on exhibit A3 and the attached photo). The walkway cover support posts and the modular building units will sit on footings that extend into the base material. Utilities will be brought to the modular building from adjacent areas. The trenches for these utilities and the footings should not extend more than 4 feet deep. The proposed construction is not anticipated to occur below that which was previously disturbed during the original construction in the 1950s. It is for these reasons that we have determined that survey work is not needed.

We have also initiated government to government consultation with the Tulalip Reservation, the Sauk-Suiattle Indian Reservation and the Stillaguamish Reservation. The consultation letters are also enclosed. We will provide you with copies of any correspondence we receive from them.

We hope that this adequately addresses your questions. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (425) 227-2653.

Sincerely,

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