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STATE OF WASHINGTON
RECREATION AND CONSERVATION OFFICE

December 23, 2019

Kye Iris
Snohomish County Parks, Recreation & Tourism
6705 Puget Park Drive
Snohomish, WA 98296

RE: Request for Approval of an Exception to
Conversion Meadowdale Park, RCO #69-182A

Dear ^{Kye}Ms. Iris:

The Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) has completed review of the request for an exception to conversion to convey an access easement to BNSF Railway. As stated in the request, BNSF plans to replace the existing railroad bridge that is located adjacent to the park's western boundary and the easement will provide legal access to the new bridge.

In exchange, the county will receive a perpetual easement from the railway that will provide legal public access from the park's western boundary to the waterfront and beach. This access has been provided by a permit from BNSF.

You advised the terms of the easement are under negotiation at this time. As such, when the easement has been finalized, please submit it for review. The exception is approved conditionally on the following:

- The exception will have no permanent impact to the intended purpose, use, and function of the project area.
- The final draft of the easement will be submitted for RCO review.
- Permanent, legal public access to the beach and waterfront will be provided as a result.

If conditions change regarding the approved exception, please notify me immediately so that a determination can be made on the effect on the funded property or project area. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (360) 902-2976 and myra.barker@rco.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

Myra Barker
Compliance Specialist

cc: Logan Daniels, Snohomish County Parks
Elizabeth Butler, RCO

