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Ms. Paula J. Hammond
Secretary of Transportation
Department of Transportation
Olympia, Washington

Attention: Pasco Bakotich III, PE

**Sound Transit – I-90 East Link Project
Interchange Justification Report Approval**

Dear Ms. Hammond:

A finding of engineering and operational acceptability was granted the subject project on June 22, 2011 subject to final environmental review. The project has been reviewed under the provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act and other pertinent environmental mandates, and the FHWA signed a Record of Decision on November 17, 2011. This determination is subject to re-evaluation in accordance with 23 CFR 771.129. Likewise, the approval of the access revision is subject to re-evaluation if major changes in the design of the proposed access are made.

With the completion of the NEPA process we approve the modified access to I-90 as described in the Interchange Justification Report.

Please contact Don Petersen at (360) 534-9323 if you have any questions regarding this action.

Sincerely,

for DANIEL M. MATHIS, P.E.
Division Administrator

cc: Barb De Ste Croix, MS 47336, LeRoy Patterson, MS 47336, Ed Barry, MS TB-85, Pete Jilek