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Bob Zeigler, SEPA Coordinator Department of Fish & Wildlife 600 Capital Way North Olympia, WA 98501-1091

Re: 12-011

Dear Mr. Zeigler:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the determination of nonsignificance for the Beebe Springs Phase 4A Development project. We have reviewed the documents and have the following comments.

Water Resources

If you plan to use water for dust suppression at your site, be sure that you have a legal right. A water right permit is required for *all* surface water diversions and for any water from a well that will exceed 5,000 gallons per day. (Chapter 90.03 RCW Surface Water Code and Chapter 90.44 RCW Regulation of Public Ground Waters) If in doubt, check with the Department of Ecology, Water Resources Program. Temporary permits may be obtainable in a short time-period. The concern of Water Resources is for existing water rights. In some instances water may need to be obtained from a different area and hauled in or from an existing water right holder.

If you have any questions or would like to respond to these Water Resources comments, please contact <u>Sage Park</u> at (509) 454-7647.

Water Quality

Project with Potential to Discharge Off-Site

The NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit from the Washington State Department of Ecology is required if there is a potential for stormwater discharge from a construction site with disturbed ground. This permit requires that the SEPA checklist fully disclose anticipated activities including building, road construction and utility

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placements. Obtaining a permit is a minimum of a 38 day process and may take up to 60 days if the original SEPA does not disclose all proposed activities.

The permit requires that Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (Erosion Sediment Control Plan) is prepared and implemented for all permitted construction sites. These control measures <u>must</u> be able to prevent soil from being carried into surface water (this includes storm drains) by stormwater runoff. Permit coverage and erosion control measures must be in place prior to any clearing, grading or construction.

More information on the stormwater program may be found on Ecology's stormwater website at: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/. Please submit an application or contact Bryan Neet at the Dept. of Ecology, (509) 575-2808, with questions about this permit.

Sincerely,

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