

Availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment (“EA”) and a Draft Finding of No Significant Impact (“FONSI”) for development of a 43-bed Adult Correctional Facility on Tribal Lands

Draft Finding of No Significant Impact

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (“NEPA”), codified at 42 U.S.C. 4321 et. seq., a Draft Environmental Assessment has been prepared for the construction of a correctional facility for the Puyallup Tribe of Indians. The project is subject to NEPA review because it is funded, in part, with Federal funding available from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs and Bureau of Justice Assistance.

Proposed Action

The Puyallup Tribe of Indians proposes to build and operate a correctional facility that would consist of an approximately 20,327 square foot structure with space to house a maximum number of 43 adult inmates.

Project Location

The correctional facility would be located 1640 East 30th Street, adjacent to the Tribal administration complex. The site is within the Reservation Exterior Boundaries and has entered the Fee to Trust Process

Finding

The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, Bureau of Justice Assistance has determined that this proposed project would not significantly affect the quality of human or physical environment. Therefore, it is not expected that an environmental impact statement will be prepared for this proposal.

Public Comments

Interested parties may obtain a copy of the Draft EA from and may submit written comments relating to this Draft FONSI to the following:

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The Draft EA and Draft FONSI are available for review at the Tribe's Office of Design and Construction Management which is located in "the Green House / Old Quilt Factory" immediately behind and east of the Tribal Headquarters at 3009 East Portland Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98404 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. through 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday (Holidays excepted).

No administrative action will be taken on the project before **February 3, 2012** which is 30+ calendar days after the second public notice of availability of the Draft EA and Draft FONSI.

For a copy of the Environmental Assessment please access this through the Puyallup Tribes website under Projects/Justice Center