

WRITTEN COMMENTS RE: "SPOKANE SLAVIC CHURCH RECREATIONAL USE OPEN BIBLE CAMP"

Comments from Tim & Colleen Larkoski, 942 South Shore Diamond LK RD, Newport, Washington. Owners of parcels 453006500002, 443001500001 and 443001549069

This proposal shares a common property boundary with our ownership. We are the largest adjacent owner to this proposal; we share a 1/2 mile boundary that is barbed wire fenced. The fence was installed by our family and is maintained year-round as our livestock summer on this adjacent ownership. Our property has been in our family for nearly 90 years. Our adjacent property is zoned NR20 and is managed for forestry.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT COMMENTS-PARCEL #453006500003

The aerial photo included with the permit displays a rectangle approximately 500'X 400'. We assume this is the location of the camp. Including the RV Parking, this rectangle appears to be inadequate to accommodate all that is proposed. The drawings and diagrams need to display on the aerial photo or scale map where the structures, parking and driveways will be placed. Very difficult to follow.

"Critical Areas"--- There are small, micro-site wetlands on the property.

"Sewage Disposal"--- This potentially adds an additional 200 people to Diamond LK. Water & Sewer. Sewage system hook-up does not exist and will possibly need to cross Telephone County Road.

"Water Supply"---states drilled well. We have documented and filed water rights (WATER RIGHT CLAIM REGISTRY # Jun1972014439, WA. State Department of Ecology, 1972 PERMIT) to our livestock spring which is critical for summer watering of our animals. This approved water right is approximately 150' from the property line with this proposal. A drilled well on the proposal area serving 200 people will surely impact our livestock spring. What mitigation measures will be in place to assure our spring will not go dry? The permit also states "possibility of community system hook-up". We were denied hook-up to Diamond LK Water in 2008 when we built our home, which is about 250' from Diamond LK. How possibly could approval be granted for this proposal to hook-up to Diamond LK. Water, for 200 (but not limited to that amount) users?

SEPA CHECKLIST COMMENT

A. Background

8. Water rights and potential impacts need to be included here.

10. They state that timber will be cut, is not a Forest Practices Permit Required from the WA State DNR?

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B. Environmental Elements

1. EARTH

- a.) proposal area is flat, overall terrain is rolling
- b.) there are 30% slopes on the property
- e.) grading and rock must be needed for the access road and parking lot

3. WATER

b.) Ground Water

1) not likely to hook up to Diamond LK. Water, so what is the description of the well, approximate quantities? 2 wells that will impact my approved, adjacent water right.

2) inadequate answer, 200 people hooking up to Diamond LK. Sewer? Is that realistic?

c.) Water Runoff

1) where is the "special pond" to be built? Did not see in the plans

2) if a septic system is required for 200 people, it could impact my permitted spring. What mitigation measures will be put in place?

3)d) where is this pond located?

4. PLANTS

e.) inadequate answer, mullein is rampant, spread by the recent logging, in addition spotted knapweed and hawkweed are prevalent. What mitigation measures will be put in place?

5. ANIMALS

a.) inadequate and inaccurate answer

d.) large herd of white tail deer utilize Diamond LK. Sewer, hay field. Herd dispersal from this project will be impacted. What mitigation measures will be put in place?

7. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

a.) forest fire potential dramatically increases with 200+ people, fireworks, campfires, smoking, etc. We have adjacent forestland, what mitigation measures will be put in place?

1) Large slash piles across the property, sources of bark beetles impacting our forestland. What mitigation measures will be put in place?

4) 200+ people, additional fire fighters, ambulance, etc.? What mitigation measures will be put in place?

5) inadequate answer. 200+ people are surely an impact. What mitigation measures will be put in place?

b.) NOISE

1) inadequate answer. Traffic, fireworks, etc. 200+ people is surely an impact. What mitigation measures will be put in place?

2) inadequate answer. We utilize our property year round. 200+ people will impact my livestock from noise, etc. We will hear the camp when we and our family enjoy our property. inadequate answer. 200+ people are surely an impact. What mitigation measures will be put in place?

3) inadequate answer. What mitigation measures will be put in place to preserve the quiet on our property and not keep my livestock all geared up?

8. LAND AND SHORELINE USE

a.) inadequate answer. We are the largest neighbor, our land is not vacant.

b.) inadequate answer. "not planned to be timbered anymore" is the whole 80 acres going to be de-forested?

1) this will affect our forestland by increasing the fire risk. What mitigation measures will be put in place?

i.) up to 200 or as previously state "but not limited to that amount" Which is it? Regardless, 200+ people is excessive.

L.) What mitigation measures will be put in place to keep the camp members off our property? Our livestock is very aggressive towards all canines. What mitigation measures will be put in place to ensure that no dogs enter our property.

m.) inadequate answer. Our adjacent family lands have been in forestry for nearly 90 years. What mitigation measures will be put in place for us to continue forestry and summer grazing without 200+ people impacting us?

9. HOUSING

a.) what is it, high, medium or low income housing?

11. LIGHT AND GLARE

d.) 200+ people need a bunch of light. What mitigation measures will be put in place to not affect our property?

12. RECREATION

a.) wrong answer. We hike, hunt and ride our livestock on our adjacent property.

b.) wrong answer. 200+ people will impact our recreation. What mitigation measures will be put in place not to affect our property?

c.) 200+ people will impact our recreation. What mitigation measures will be put in place not to affect our property?

13. HISTORIC AND CULTURAL PRESERVATION

c.) inadequate. Must do some historic search.

14. TRANSPORTATION

a.) inadequate. 50+ vehicles, Green RD., HWY 2.....What is the plan?

d.) summer road dust from 50+ vehicles

f.) what is the number, 40 or 50 vehicles? Inconsistent answers

15. PUBLIC SERVICES

a.) 200+ people, 50 vehicles on a gravel road, inadequate answer

b.) inadequate answer

16. UTILITIES

b.) inadequate answer

We feel the CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT and SEPA CHECKLIST are very inadequately filled out. We should not have to spend this much time commenting on a very poorly answered document, so the Slavic Baptist Church now knows what they must do. This document should have been rejected by the county. Detail required for answers to the questions is short, very little detail, misspelled words and poor grammar. The diagrams and aerial photo are confusing. This proposal is for 200+ people, 50+ vehicles, all with little or no insight in to the magnitude of the project or any real understanding of the area or the neighbors. We request this PERMIT and CHECKLIST be returned to the originator as inadequate, poorly filled out, with short, unknowledgeable responses, with little or no concern for neighbors who have family holdings approaching 90 years. Is there not a more suitable place for this project to reside?

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