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Mr. Jim Harris, Senior Planner
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33325 8th Avenue South
Federal Way, WA98003-6325

In future correspondence please refer to:

Project Tracking Code: 2016-08-06001

Property: Weyerhaeuser Campus, 337XX Weyerhaeuser Way, Federal Way

Re: Preferred Freezer/Orca Bay Seafoods Notice of Master Land use Applications

Dear Mr. Harris:

The Washington State Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP) is in receipt of the Notice for a Master Land Use Application by Preferred Freezer/Orca Bay Seafoods for construction of a warehouse, offices, and parking areas on a 19 acre site on Weyerhaeuser Way South. In response, we are providing the following comments and recommendations:

1. We understand the location of the proposed development is on the Weyerhaeuser Corporation headquarters campus.
2. We understand that the Weyerhaeuser headquarters building and surrounding campus was completed in 1972. While 50 years is typically the minimum age for properties to be considered for eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places, since completion the Weyerhaeuser property has been highly acclaimed for its architecture, landscape architecture, and master site plan. Therefore, an inventory of the proposed site and surrounding Weyerhaeuser campus is needed to help evaluate the property for its historical and architectural significance. This information is needed to assist the City and DAHP in fully evaluating the impact of the application on this highly visible and prominent location.
3. In order to complete inventory data requested in #2, we recommend that the Weyerhaeuser campus be inventoried by qualified cultural resource professionals with expertise in architectural history and archaeology and using DAHP's on-line Historic Property Inventory and Archaeological Site Inventory databases.
4. Given the high potential that the subject site and surrounding Weyerhaeuser property is significant for its design, landscape, and plan, we recommend that the City consider the impact of the proposal on the character and quality of this location and on Federal Way's heritage as well as its future.



Finally, please note that in order to streamline our responses, DAHP requires that all documents related to project reviews be submitted electronically. Correspondence, reports, notices, photos, etc. must now be submitted in PDF or JPG format. For more information about how to submit documents to DAHP please visit: <http://www.dahp.wa.gov/programs/shpo-compliance>. To assist you in conducting a cultural resource survey and inventory effort, DAHP has developed guidelines including requirements for survey reports. You can view or download a copy from our website.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 360-586-3073 or greg.griffith@dahp.wa.gov

Sincerely,



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