

WHISTLING RIDGE ENERGY LLC
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EXHIBIT NO. 1.04r



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Department of Fish and Wildlife

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Mr. Spadaro,

In response to the proposed mitigation parcel for impacts associated with the proposed development of the Whistling Ridge Energy Project, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) offers the following input at this time. Additional input may be provided in the future.

The proposed mitigation parcel (parcel) of approximately 100 acres of land within a portion of the SE ¼ of Section 10, Township 3 North, Range 12 East is hereby deemed consistent with the WDFW Wind Power Guidelines. The parcel includes the following habitats and species, Oregon white oak, western grey squirrel, western bluebird, Merriam's turkey, blacktail deer, riparian habitats, and a fish-bearing stream (Silva Creek, tributary to the Klickitat River).

The intent of the proposed mitigation is to provide for conservation and protection of habitats and species affected by the proposed project development, which are found in the proposed aforementioned parcel. This parcel will be protected by way of a conservation easement for the life of the project, to be granted to Klickitat County by SDS Lumber (landowner).

Once the conservation easement is executed on the land as described here, the mitigation will be considered acceptable and complete per the WDFW Wind Power Guidelines.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this input. If you have any questions or concerns regarding the content here, please contact Mike Ritter at 509-543-3319 or Michael.Ritter@dfw.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Travis Nelson".

Travis Nelson
Renewable Energy Section Manager

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