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Dear Ms. Boone,

Subject: US 101 / West Olympia Access Project – SEPA Lead Agency (CP&D file 14-0123)

As discussed, this letter is provided to confirm that pursuant to Part Ten of Washington Administrative Code Chapter 197-11, and rule 197-11-926 in particular, the City of Olympia is in agreement that the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) should serve as lead SEPA agency for the US 101 West Olympia Access Project. We believe that this approach will result in a thorough review of environmental issues associated with this project, and public confidence in that review.

Please feel free to contact me or Randy Wesselman, project manager, to discuss the details of this process. We look forward to continuing to work with WSDOT as we move toward completing the Interchange Justification Report and throughout the eventual construction of this important improvement to the City and State's transportation system.

Sincerely,

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