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DATE:

August 9, 2017

TO:

Yakima County Fire Protection District #14, Steve Nevens, and Interested

Agencies

FROM:

Julia Loudon, Planner

SUBJ:

CUP2017-00045/SEP2017-00016 - Nile-Cliffdell Fire Station/Life Safety

Building Communication Tower

Notice of Decision & Final Determination of Non-Significance

Enclosed is the Decision and Final Determination of Non-Significance for the proposal to construct a 69'11" communication tower behind the Nile-Cliffdell Fire Station to improve communications between emergency organizations. The proposal has been **APPROVED**, and we have determined that it will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. Please review the attached documents for information on conditions of approval, and your appeal options.

If you have any questions on the project or the appeal process, please contact me at (509)574-2300.

Encl.:

Final Threshold Determination

Final Decision

Yakima County ensures full compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 by prohibiting discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, or sex in the provision of benefits and services resulting from its federally assisted programs and activities. For questions regarding Yakima County's Title VI Program, you may contact the Title VI Coordinator at 509-574-2300.

If this letter pertains to a meeting and you need special accommodations, please call us at 509-574-2300 by 10:00 a.m. three days prior to the meeting. For TDD users, please use the State's toll free relay service 1-800-833-6388 and ask the operator to dial 509-574-2300.

FINAL DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

(Notice of Action)

1. **Description of Proposal:** The property currently contains a 6,885 sf fire station/life safety building that was approved under CUP2015-00059 and SEP2014-00017. Due to the mountainous terrain, radio signal coverage is weak and there is no cell phone service. The applicants are proposing to construct a new self-supporting communication tower that will not exceed 69'11" in height, as measured from ground level to the top of the antenna. The tower is to be located behind the fire station, about 16' south of the center of the building.

2. **File Number:** CUP2017-00045/SEP2017-00016

3. Owner: Yakima County Fire District #14

14550 State Route 410 Naches, WA 98937 Steve Nevens

Agent:

Nile Fire Department 80 Deer Cove Lane Naches, WA 98937

4. **Location of Proposal:** 13670 State Route 410. The subject parcel is located on the south side of State Route 410, about 600 feet east of the intersection of State Route 410 and Little Bald Mountain Road, approximately 1 mile north of the Nile community. (Parcel #151621-22401)

5. Lead Agency: Yakima County Planning Division

- 6. **Determination:** The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment and an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after a careful review of the completed environmental checklist, and other information on file with the lead agency. This information (including all environmental documentation) is available to the public on request and can be examined in our offices during regular business hours or online at www.yakimap.com/permits. Environmental documents include the SEPA checklist, this threshold determination, and submittal materials.
- 7. Comment and Appeal Information: This Final DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-355. There is no further comment on it. In accordance with Title 16B, Chapter 16B.09 of the Yakima County Code, any person of standing pursuant to 16B.09.020 may appeal this SEPA threshold determination to the Yakima County Hearing Examiner. A notice of such appeal must be filed in writing and delivered to the Planning Division on the 4th Floor of the Yakima County Courthouse, Yakima, Washington within 14 days. For information on the comment or appeal processes, or on other issues relating to this proposal, contact Julia Loudon, Planner, at (509)574-2300.

8. SEPA Responsible Official: Lynn Deitrick, AICP

9. Designee: Iason Earles

10. Address: 128 N. 2nd St.,

4th Floor Courthouse, Yakima, WA 98901

11. Date: August 9, 201