

CONFEDERATED TRIBES of the CHEHALIS RESERVATION

March 6, 2017

Karen Urelius, Sr. Project Manager Seattle District, US Army Corps of Engineers PO Box 3755 Seattle, WA 98124-3755

RE: Issuance of 2017 Nationwide Permits

Dear Ms. Urelius,

In response to your letter and notice in the Federal Register regarding the reissuance of all existing Nationwide Permits and in accordance with Corps regulations 33 CFR 330.4(c), the Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation deny that water quality certification activities authorized by the NWPs within the exterior boundaries of the Chehalis Reservation apply. We are denying 401 water quality certification, without prejudice, for all nationwide permits.

Please send 401 applications to: Chehalis Tribe – Natural Resources Dept. PO Box 536 Oakville, WA 98516

Please accept this letter as our official response to your notice. We look forward to further discussions regarding this issue.

Sincerely.

Mark White, Director of Natural Resources Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation