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February 26, 2003

Richard F. Krochalis,  
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RE: North Link Section 4(f) Evaluation

Dear Mr. Krochalis:

Please find attached a letter from the Washington State Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (OAHP), State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) indicating the status of properties on the University of Washington Campus under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. The letter indicates that Rainier Vista, a campus open space affected by some of the alternatives in the North Link Supplemental EIS, is not eligible for listing for the National Register, nor is it part of an historic district. Previous information provided to your office in October 2002 indicated that Rainier Vista was also not a parkland as defined by Section 4(f) (49 USC Section 303). Considering both pieces of information together, we believe Rainier Vista does not meet the definition of a resource protected by Section 4(f) and we will proceed to prepare the North Link Draft Supplemental EIS consistent with this understanding. The six buildings on the UW campus described in the letter as eligible for the National Register will be analyzed in the EIS as historic resources and under Section 4(f) as appropriate, although our analysis indicates there would be no significant impacts to the six buildings from project alternatives.

Please give me a call (398-5140) if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

James Irish  
Link Environmental Manager

Jl:ab North Link Section 4(f) Evaluation  
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Property: NORTH LINK LIGHT RAIL PROJECT - U OF W

Re: Determination of Eligibility and Effect

Dear Mr. Irish:

Thank you for contacting the Washington State Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (OAHP). The above referenced project has been reviewed on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer under provisions of Section 106 of National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (as amended) and 36 CFR Part 800. My review is based upon documentation contained in your communication.

I concur that the following properties are individually **ELIGIBLE** for the National Register of Historic Places under criterion A for their contributions to the educational and historical development of the University of Washington and under Criterion C as intact representative examples of their style and type.

Anderson Hall  
Johnson Hall

Sylvan Theater  
Physics Hall (Mary Gates Bldg)

Bagley Hall  
Administration Bldg (Gerberding Hall)

I also concur that the Rainer Vista is **NOT ELIGIBLE** individually for the National Register of Historic Places due to its low level of integrity. Additionally it appears that Rainer Vista is also **NOT ELIGIBLE** for the National Register as part of an historic district due to the lack of a concentration of significant historic resources within the defined APE.

As such, I concur that "no historic properties will be affected" by the current project area of the University of Washington Campus as proposed.

Please note that if any archaeological resources are uncovered during construction, please halt work in the area of discovery and contact the appropriate Native American Tribes and OAHP for further consultation.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'MH', with a long horizontal line extending to the left.

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