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Barnaby Slough Steering Committee C/O Devin Smith, Skagit River System Cooperative Project Manager 11404 Moorage Way La Conner, WA 98257

RE: Barnaby Slough Feasibility Report

Dear Steering Committee members;

I am writing to inform you of the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife's (WDFW) concurrence with the findings of the Barnaby Slough Restoration Project Steering Committee and the selection of Alternative 4 as the preferred alternative. I, WDFW Regional Program Managers, and other staff have reviewed the final draft of the feasibility report and are pleased to see the exciting habitat restoration potential of the Barnaby site. WDFW is committed to working with our partners on the design phase of this project and are looking forward to developing a significant restoration project for the benefit of our wild Chinook and Steelhead stocks.

Sincerely,

**Bob Everitt** 

Regional Director

cc: Lorraine Loomis, Chair NWIFC

Marc Duboiski, SRFB Project Manager

Richard Brocksmith, Executive Director SWC

Jim Unsworth, WDFW Director Region 4 Management Team