



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 23-03

of the

SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBAL COUNCIL

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is the Governing Body of the Squaxin Island Tribe, its members, its lands, its enterprises and its agencies by the authority of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Squaxin Island Tribe, as approved and adopted by the General Body and the Secretary of the Interior on July 8, 1965; and

WHEREAS, under the Constitution, Bylaws and inherent sovereignty of the Tribe, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is charged with the duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian Tribe possessing reserved powers, including the powers of self-government; and

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has been entrusted with the creation of ordinances and resolutions in order to fulfill their duty of protecting the health, security, education and general welfare of tribal members, and of protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, in 2021 the Tribe purchased a certain property in Mason County, WA in cooperation with the State Recreation and Conservation Office (“RCO”) in order to protect habitat for coho, chum, ESA listed steelhead and cutthroat trout; and

WHEREAS, in conformance with the Culvert Decision in *U.S. v. Washington*, the Washington Department of Transportation (“WSDOT”) intends to replace a fish obstructing culvert under State Route 108, and

WHEREAS, WSDOT has requested access to and use of the Tribe’s property to facilitate the replacement of the culvert and the restoration and rehabilitation of the site following construction;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby agrees to and authorizes Kristopher Peters, its Chair, or in the alternative Marvin Campbell, its Administrator, to do any and all acts necessary to (1) sign and submit a Temporary Construction Easement for the benefit of WSDOT, and (2) sign and submit a Permit for WSDOT to plant, monitor and restore the native vegetation around the project area, each substantially in the form attached hereto, and to sign such additional documents as may be necessary or expedient to allow replacement of the culvert, restoration of the site, as is consistent with the purposes of this Resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution will take effect upon receipt of concurrence from RCO to the use of and form of the easement and permit.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby certifies that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 12 day of January, 2023, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 6 for and 0 against, with 0 abstentions.

Kristopher K Peters
Kristopher K Peters (Jan 13, 2023 11:46 PST)

Kris Peters, Chairman

Attested by: 
Patrick Braese (Jan 13, 2023 11:55 PST)

Patrick Braese, Secretary

Jaimie Cruz
Jaimie Cruz (Jan 13, 2023 12:07 PST)

Jaimie Cruz, Vice Chairman












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