



SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE

RESOLUTION NO. 09-86

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

WHEREAS, under the Constitution and the 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 the tribal members, and with protecting and managing the lands and treaty resources and rights of the Tribe; **and**

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council has an established commitment to and history of working to obtain funding from various sources, including federal and tribal funding, for on-reservation and off-reservation transportation projects of importance to the Tribe and the surrounding community; **and**

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is aware that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) through its Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) program provides funds for eligible priority transportation projects and programs, including interpretive signage; **and**

WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is aware that that The Tribe has an existing P.L.-638 contract #CPT06T12115 for the new Skookum Creek Bridge; **and**

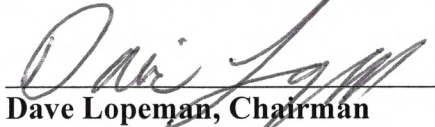
WHEREAS, the Squaxin Island Tribal Council is aware that Skookum Creek and the Skookum Creek Bridge are significant landmarks in the history of the Squaxin community;

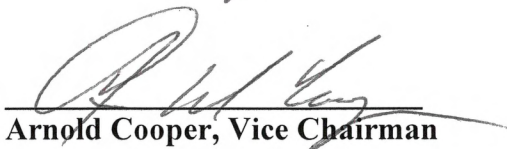
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council hereby requests that \$7,452 remaining in the existing P.L.-638 contract for the Skookum Creek Bridge be allocated for the design, construction and installation of interpretive signage at the bridge site, and that the term of the contract be extended to September 30, 2010; **and**

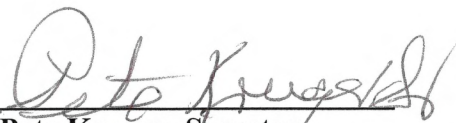
THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby authorize the Tribal Chairman, Executive Director, and the Director of Planning and Community Development to be the Tribe's representative in all future matters requiring Tribal authorization for this project, to negotiate for advance funding in executing the project, to perform all necessary transactions as permitted by P.L. 93-638 authorized hereunder, including obtaining federal approval and executing any and all documents necessary to accomplish the same, and that these authorities shall be for the duration of the funded project.

CERTIFICATION

The Squaxin Island Tribal Council does hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at the regular meeting of the Squaxin Island Tribal Council, held on this 24 day of Sept. 2009, at which time a quorum was present and was passed by a vote of 6 for and 0 against with 0 abstentions.


Dave Lopeman, Chairman


Arnold Cooper, Vice Chairman

Attested by: 
Pete Kruger, Secretary



Squaxin Island Tribe
Proposal for Modification of BIA 638 Contract CPT 06T12115

Skookum Creek Bridge Project
September 18, 2009

Skookum Creek Bridge BIA Route No. 100 Project No. 09_SCB_115

Scope of Work

The Squaxin Island Tribe will contract with a qualified provider or providers to design, fabricate and install interpretive signage and sign frames at a tribally-owned site at the west end of Skookum Creek Bridge. The purpose of the signage is to inform pedestrians and visitors to the site of the role of the creek and bridge in the history of the community.

Interpretive panels will be 36" x 24" and fabricated using a porcelain enamel process, which provides a durable, weather-resistant surface. Panels will be mounted on steel frames installed at the site.

Because of the specialized nature of the project, the Tribe will select vendors from a pre-qualified pool of providers for fabrication and installation. Transportation Planner Margaret Foley will manage the administrative and design side of the project. DCD Deputy Director Phil Wozniak will direct the installation and provide on-site quality inspections.

Schedule:

Task:	Complete by:
Tribal Council approves the sign concept and content	October 10, 2009
Design and fabrication	December 30, 2009
Site Prep and Installation (weather dependent)	April-May 2010

Budget:

BIA IRR funds (\$7,451.78) remaining in this contract will be used to toward the cost design, fabrication and installation of the interpretive signage. Tribal funds will be used for costs in excess of available IRR dollars.

SCB Interpretive Signage	Salary	Fringe	Indirect	Annual	QTY	Hrly	
Administrative Management	56,154	23,023	26,230	105,407	7	\$51	\$329
Project Management	57,535	23,589	n/a	81,124	5	\$39	\$197
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Graphic Design/Film					2	400	\$800
Site prep and Installation					2	750	\$1,500
Sign Fabrication				Panel	2	1500	\$3,000
Sign Frame				Base	2	896	\$1,792
							\$7,618.65

Funding Plan

BIA	\$7,451.78
Tribe	\$166.87
	\$7,618.65

Squaxin Island Tribe and the Skookum Creek Bridge

The Squaxin Island People are the descendants of seven bands of maritime people who lived along the shores and watersheds of South Puget Sound. After the signing of the 1854 Medicine Creek Treaty, many tribal members settled in and around the Kamilche area because the designated Reservation, Squaxin Island, lacked a fresh water source and proved uninhabitable. For generations of Squaxin families in the following years, Skookum Creek was a favorite place to fish and swim. Summer days at the creek are remembered by our Elders:

“We’d spend the whole day waiting for the tide to come in so we could swim in the creek.” *Ruby Whitener Fuller*

“We did a lot of swimming in that old creek. We used to swim in the pond that was dug to make the railroad higher.” *Fame Rankin*

“We used to wade, swim and fish in that area all the time. The swimming hole was just downstream from the bridge...Kamilche was a good place to grow up.” *Darlene Krise*

In 1937, a concrete bridge was built on this site, replacing a wooden bridge downstream from here. In 2006, the Squaxin Island Tribe, Mason County and the Bureau of Indian Affairs partnered to build this bridge. A section of the 1937 bridge railing was preserved to commemorate the role of Skookum Creek and the Skookum Creek Bridge in the history of the Squaxin Island Tribe.

Skookum Creek flows from the Skookum Valley watershed to Little Skookum Inlet, a finger bay of Puget Sound. It provides spawning habitat for Deep South Sound Coho and Upper Skookum Creek Fall Chum salmon. The Tribe manages reforestation and other restoration projects in the watershed to increase spawning, rearing and migration habitat.