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**To:** [Moon, Amy \(UTC\)](#)  
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**Subject:** RE: Tri Cities Herald Letters: COVID is significant, honor tribal interests and more | June 17  
**Date:** Wednesday, June 23, 2021 12:10:20 PM

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Ami,

Thank you for the information. I found all the documentation necessary for answering our concerns. The letter “in the Opinion section of the Tri-City Herald on June 17, 2021 entitled “Tribal interests must be honored” made it sound like a different location “across the hillside between Kennewick and Benton City”, which would be along the string of hills NE of the Horse Haven Hills, which includes several unnamed hills and The Butte, Badger Mountain, Candy Mountain, Goose Hill, and Red Mountain. We follow the Horse Haven Project and are relieved this is not an additional undertaking.

We appreciate you and Ami moving on our request so quickly.

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**To:** Guy Moura (HSY)  
**Cc:** Kidder, Ami (UTC)  
**Subject:** FW: Tri Cities Herald Letters: COVID is significant, honor tribal interests and more | June 17

Dear Guy-

Ami Kidder sent me your email regarding cultural resource studies and consultation efforts for the Horse Heaven Wind Project. The Horse Heaven Wind Project is located just south of the Tri-Cities area and roughly spans from south of Benton City west to south of Finley. I assume your email is referring to a letter published in the Opinion section of the Tri-City Herald on June 17, 2021 entitled “Tribal interests must be honored”. This opinion piece was referring to the Horse Heaven Wind Project.

The Energy Facility Site Evaluation (EFSEC) received an Application for Site Certification (ASC) on

February 8, 2021. EFSEC is processing the application and recently closed a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Scoping public comment campaign that ran from May 11 – June 10, 2021, after issuance of a Determination of Significance and Request for Comments on Scope of Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). EFSEC is now reviewing the comments. Please follow this link for more information about the project on the EFSEC public website:

[Horse Heaven Wind Project | EFSEC - The State of Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council](#)

Tribal government comment letters can be found under the “Tribal Governments Comments” pull down menu on the main Horse Heaven Wind Project website as indicated above. EFSEC is evaluating the tribal correspondence and cultural resource documentation received in the ASC. The application can be viewed by following this link:

[Horse Heaven Application | EFSEC - The State of Washington Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council](#)

Tribal Government coordination has been initiated in several ways: 1) EFSEC sent an announcement to Tribal Governments on March 9, 2021 for the Public Informational Meeting and Land Use Consistency Hearing held March 30, 2021; 2) EFSEC sent letters announcing the SEPA Determination and Scoping on May 11, 2021 and a 2<sup>nd</sup> distribution list to a broader list of tribal government contacts on May 27, 2021; 3) EFSEC is coordinating with the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation (Yakama) and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR).

Our records indicate a letter was mailed to Rodney Cawston announcing the SEPA Scoping Comment Period. It looks like we tried to send email copies of the letter to you (at [guy.moura@colvilletribes.com](mailto:guy.moura@colvilletribes.com)) and Jon Meyer (at [jon.meyer@colvilletribes.com](mailto:jon.meyer@colvilletribes.com)), but they were bounced back.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

*Amy I. Moon*

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Amy,

Will you please respond?

Best Wishes,

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Good Morning Ami,

The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation noted the following letter from the Tri-City Herald. Would you be kind enough to have the appropriate staff person bring us up-to-date on the status of the cultural resource studies and the consultation efforts to date. We were only familiar with the Horse Haven Hills project, but wind turbines between Kennewick and Benton City sounds different. I scoured the Scout Clean Energy web site for clues, but came up empty.

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TRIBAL INTERESTS MUST BE HONORED

Scout Clean Energy wants to install 244 wind turbines across the hillside between Kennewick and Benton City in Eastern Washington. While we support clean energy for the environment, more information is needed on this project due to the cultural implications the wind farm may have.

These turbines would be installed on ancestral native land, and the tribes for these areas have not

been given adequate opportunity to determine their position on the project. Tribal stakeholders must be consulted to fully understand the cultural impact the wind farm may have on the future of tribal resources. While the land is not reservation land, using the land without consideration of the impact on tribal resources would further strip local tribes of their culture and their ancestral connections.

While Scout Clean Energy has taken positive steps to determine the impact the wind turbines could have on the environment, more information is needed.

We ask the Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council to halt the proceeding of this decision until (the) Yakama Nation and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation tribal councils can complete proper steps to ensure their culture is preserved. These cultural considerations need to be included in future land use proposals.

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