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RE: SEPA Determination for Biosolids Removal and Beneficial Use

Dear Mr. Matsumoto:

I am in receipt of your letter dated January 29, 2021, in which you request a determination as to whether the October 23, 2018 SEPA MDNS that was issued for the Wastewater Treatment Facilities Plan also applied to biosolids removal and beneficial use. After reviewing the detailed points in your letter that refer to the SEPA checklist, as well as consulting with our City Planner, I agree that the October 23, 2018 SEPA checklist not only adequately addressed, but also anticipated biosolids removal and beneficial use. Therefore, the SEPA MDNS of October 23, 2018 is a valid Threshold Determination to use as a basis for entering into an Agreed Order with the Department of Ecology for the removal of biosolids.

Please note that because the October 23, 2018 Threshold Determination actually anticipated the removal of biosolids, there is no need to complete a formal adoption of the MDNS, as it already applies.

Regards,



Joe Schey, Mayor
SEPA Responsible Official