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On Monday June 11, Mr. Craig Thompson had a limited discussion with Mr. Pete Kmet of the HQ/TCP on this project. Mr. Kmet recommended MTCA should not be used for the establishment of clean-fill criteria for the Seattle-Tacoma International Airport Third Runway project. However, if MTCA is to be used for this purpose, Mr. Kmet further recommended all other requirements of the MTCA should be applied for the establishment of the clean fill criteria.

I have interpreted his MTCA requirements at minimum as requiring: 1) a larger listing of potential contaminants for testing, 2) ground water monitoring for compliance with the ground water and/or surface water criteria, and 2) terrestrial ecological evaluation. There may be other requirements that will need to be identified prior to finalizing the "Acceptable Fill Criteria Language."

Since his recommendations are considered as the department policy with respect to this project, therefore it would be inappropriate for me to comment on his recommendations.

Please advise as to my scope-of-work. In the interim, I will proceed to review the biological opinion by US Fish and Wildlife Service on the Master Plan Update Improvements. From your previous emails, I understand you/NWRO will be meeting with the US Fish and Wildlife Service to finalize an acceptable set of fill criteria. Per agreement, I will start my review of the Clean Fill Criteria based on the most recent draft language, i.e., post US Fish and Wildlife Service meeting.

One final note, I do not know how to implement many of the MTCA requirements, e.g., terrestrial ecological evaluation, in the context of the Third Runway fill project. For these additional MTCA requirements, please consult with the NWRO/TCP staff for implementation assistance.

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