

Snoqualmie Indian Tribe

Regarding section 173-446B-050- For which expenditures must recipients report whether the funding produced any verifiable reduction in greenhouse gas emissions or other long-term impact to emissions?

Thank you for providing section (2) describing expenditures that are not required to report verifiable GHG reductions; these are reasonable exceptions for work such as climate resiliency projects, education and outreach, research and planning.

We also appreciate section (3)'s provision for recipients to consult with Ecology in determining whether reporting on verifiable emissions reductions is required for a particular expenditure.

Regarding section 173-446B-060 - What information are recipients required to provide to Ecology? Protection of culturally sensitive information should apply whether a Tribe is a direct recipient or a sub-recipient. Protections should also apply to Tribal confidential proprietary information and intellectual property. We suggest the following changes to section (6), additions underlined, deletions in strikethrough:

(6) In cases where the recipient or sub-recipient is a Tribe, neither Ecology nor the recipient may not require the recipient or sub-recipient to provide the recipient with information that the sub-recipient Tribe deems to be culturally sensitive, confidential proprietary information or intellectual property.