Appendix H – Groundwater Resources

Email approval from EPA
Thank you for submitting your project for review. We have reviewed the information provided and find that the project will not have a significant adverse impact on the Spokane Valley Rathdrum Prairie Sole Source Aquifer and therefore the funding may proceed.

EPA reviews federally financially assisted projects that are proposed in federally designated Sole Source Aquifer review areas to determine if the projects have a potential to contaminate the aquifer through a recharge zone so as to create a significant hazard to public health. Such projects are submitted to EPA by federal, state, and local governments, and by the public. This correspondence only addresses the Sole Source Aquifer Program, any other federal environmental requirements are your responsibility to ensure compliance. Please retain this email for your records.

From: Curalli, Kelly [mailto:KCuralli@spokanecounty.org]
Sent: Thursday, June 26, 2014 4:06 PM
To: Eastman, Susan
Subject: Bigelow Gulch Road Reconstruction/Widening Project Request for EPA Review

Hi Sue,

Spokane County is proposing a federally funded (STP) road reconstruction/widening project on Bigelow Gulch Road from Havana Street to Forker Road and on Forker Road from Bigelow Gulch to Wellesley Avenue. Impervious surface will increase by 38.95 acres due to roadway widening along the 8.2 mile corridor. Under the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has with the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) regarding Sole Source Aquifer, Spokane County is seeking your review and approval.

Sue, this is the project I spoke to you about on the phone about a month ago. Hoping I have included everything you need. If you would like to see a set of plans (20 to 25 pages) I can place them out on our .ftp site next week. Just let me know. If you have questions or need additional information to make your determination please don’t hesitate to call me at (509) 477-7440.

Thanks again for all your help with this.
Kelly