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**MEMORANDUM FOR:**

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Shandra O'Haleck of the National Marine Fisheries Service, WCR-2018-9454

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Don Olmsted of the Washington Department of Natural Resources

Adam Smee of the City of Kalama

**SUBJECT: PORT OF KALAMA T-BARGE DOCK PROJECT**

All,

The intent of this memorandum is to describe modifications to the Port of Kalama T-Barge Dock Project. The proposed changes include an expansion of the existing mitigation plan with the removal of up to 61 derelict timber piles. The Port originally proposed to remove 10 derelict piles. The 51 additional piles need to be removed due to navigational hazards they may cause to small vessels that will use the T-Barge. Additionally, no fill or excavation is proposed for the project as the holes remaining from the pulled piles will not be backfilled with sand but will fill in via natural processes. The proposed project modification is minor and will not change the primary characteristics of the project, nor will it increase effects to habitat or fish. Removal of the piles will improve benthic habitat by removing piles from the substrate. The associated JARPA and drawing set have been updated accordingly and are attached. An addendum to the cultural resource assessment and photos are also attached.

Should you require any additional information, please don't hesitate to contact the Port's agent, Nicole White, at (206) 624-1387 or via email at [nwhite@pndengineers.com](mailto:nwhite@pndengineers.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tabitha Reeder", is written over a horizontal line.

Tabitha Reeder, Port of Kalama