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SUBJECT: Ketchikan Lakes Hydroelectric Project FERC No. 420-115

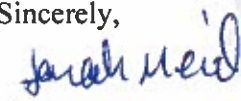
Dear Ms. Holstrom,

The Alaska State Historic Preservation Office (AK SHPO) received your correspondence (dated May 27, 2025) concerning the subject project and *Pre-Application Document (PAD)* on May 30, 2025. We have reviewed the provided documentation pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and its implementing regulations (36 CFR 800). AK SHPO offers the following comments for your consideration.

Our office recommends that that Ketchikan pursues further investigation to identify properties that may be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places by a qualified cultural resource professional (48 FR 44738-44739). Their services should evaluate the area of potential effects and provide recommendations to avoid, minimize, or if necessary, mitigate adverse effects. Our office can provide a cultural resource management contractor list at your request.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment. Please contact Molly Herron at molly.herron@alaska.gov if you have any questions or if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,


for:

Judith E. Bittner
State Historic Preservation Officer

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