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FROM:

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Governor's Office of Indian Affairs

SUBJECT: Contingency Planning for State Agency Operations on July 1, 2013

This is in response to your memorandum dated June 12, 2013 requesting agencies to submit any constitutional mandates or federal law that requires they remain in operation, or if they had any non appropriated funding.

The Governor's Office of Indian Affairs (GOIA) response is as follows:

- 1. The GOIA has no services funded by appropriations in the enacted transportation budget.
- 2. The GOIA has no services that require appropriation, e.g. from non-appropriated funds.
- 3. The GOIA has no services to continue based on certain constitutional mandates and federal law.
- 4. The GOIA serves as a principal liaison and facilitates the government to government relationship between the Governor's Office and state agencies with the 29 federally-recognized Tribes existing within the state of Washington. This activity will be necessary to maintain communication and outreach to Tribes on potential loss of state services and potential public safety coordination. Communication and outreach to Tribal governments on loss of state agency activity is also very critical in the area of legal binding agreements with Tribal Governments including compacts, contracts, MOU's, etc. The GOIA can assist state agencies with communication to Tribal Governments on the potential loss or pause of state services.

If it is deemed that the GOIA does not meet any of the four exceptions outlined in the memo, then the agency will cease operations on July 1, 2013 if no budget is in place.

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