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Capital Projects Advisory Review Board  
Project Review Committee  
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Sent Via Email: Talia Baker, [PRC@des.wa.gov](mailto:PRC@des.wa.gov)

RE: Steilacoom Historical School District Maintenance Facility  
Application for Project Approval - GC/CM Delivery

Members of the Committee,

I am writing in support of Steilacoom Historical School District's (SHSD) request for approval to utilize the GC/CM delivery method for their New Maintenance Facility.

Yelm Community Schools chose the GC/CM delivery method for Yelm Middle School and Southworth Elementary School and it has been an instrumental factor in our success on our projects to date.

The depth of knowledge and skill exhibited by KWA and BCRA, specifically Kasey Wyatt and Heather Hocklander, leads me to endorse Steilacoom Historical School District in their pursuit of project approval. I have had the pleasure of working with Superintendent Weight and provided insight into the decision for SHSD to use the GC/CM delivery method based on Yelm Community Schools positive experience using said method.

Based on our experience we have found the following:

**Safety:** Safety of students, staff and community is the most important aspect of a project for Superintendents and SHSD's decision to pursue project approval is appropriate to respond to the challenges they face with construction on an occupied site.

**Experience:** KWA & BCRA have demonstrated their expertise in GC/CM procurement and leadership administering the GC/CM process on many projects for area School Districts. As advocates of this process, KWA and BCRA have collaborated with our GC/CM throughout preconstruction which has led to predictable, creative and positive outcomes.

Yelm Community Schools is supportive of Steilacoom Historical School District's project approval. Their application and team experience/expertise exceeds the criteria for approval.

Sincerely,

Brian Wharton  
Superintendent