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Rex Derr, Director  
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Re: Old Man House State Park

Dear Mr. Derr,

We have lived in Suquamish for the past thirteen years. We are writing to urge you and the Members of the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission to transfer Old Man House State Park to the Suquamish Tribe. The Tribe has gone to great lengths to develop a Park Management Plan to insure that the community's interests in this park will be protected. The Washington State Parks' purchase of this small parcel in 1950 showed great foresight. You now have the opportunity to bring the transfer of this land full circle and give it back to the people from whom it was taken. Thank you in advance for return of this sacred land to the Tribe.

Sincerely,

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