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From: Kari Braniff
Sent: Monday, November 24, 2008 11:18 AM
To: Joe Gilbert
Cc: Jeff Watson
Subject: Von Raven Septic Variance
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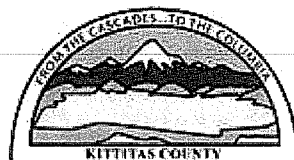
Hello,

A Jeff Pike who is the next door neighbor called me today letting me know that his well is almost exactly on their property lines and very close to the proposed septic. He was concerned because the application did not show his well and how close it is. He said that he had a while back already spoken to Von Raven (who I believe is deceased because the Trustee records are in the file, Joe I don't believe I forwarded you that part of the application, and now the son is applying for this) and they were thinking about some sort of shared well/septic with another neighbor or moving his (Jeff Pike's) well as long as the applicants paid for the costs. Anyway, he is going to submit comments and a site plan showing where his well is and his concern about having septic in his drinking water.

Thanks,

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Date: November 24, 2008

From: Don B. Underwood

Subject: Von Raven Variance (VA-08-00012)

Attn: Kari Braniff, Staff Planner

As stated in the notice to adjacent property owners, the approval of this variance would allow the property owner to construct a vacation residence on their property.

I would question why they would be allowed to have a well and a septic system on a lot less than an acre, when all property owners here were told this was a state requirement. I had to purchase a well site off my property to be able to build. I was also not allowed to put a well as close to the river as the variance requests.

In 2000 we purchased the parcel 585934 across the lane and larger than the Von Raven lot, and we were told it not buildable or as a stand alone taxable parcel due to the size, and had to be attached to an existing lot, which we did.

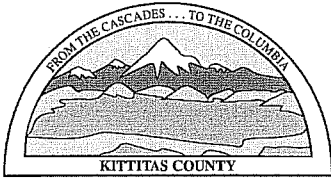
Have the above requirements for small lot development in our area been eliminated?

Respectfully submitted,



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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

MEMORANDUM

TO: Kari Braniff, CDS
FROM: Christina Wollman, Planner II *CW*
DATE: November 25, 2008
SUBJECT: Von Raven Variance VA-08-12

The proposal does not appear to impact the existing or future transportation needs of Kittitas County. The Department of Public Works has no comment.