



## **KITTITAS COUNTY**

### **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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**TO:** Ms. Lindsey Ozbolt, Planning Official

**COPY:** Ms. Taylor Gustafson, Planner III

**DATE:** September 24, 2018

**FROM:** Mark R. Cook, Director 

**RE:** Wenger Short Plat – Final Plat (SP-07-00007)

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I have reviewed the final plat submitted for Wenger Short Plat (SP-07-00007). My comments appear below for your consideration – pending your response to the applicant.

1. Preliminary condition of approval 7(b) (06-27-16) requires certification of the private road serving the short plat. Public Works has not received any road certification to my knowledge meeting this condition of preliminary approval. Variance to our standards has been granted pursuant to our road variance process in Title 12. Our office should be consulted prior to conducting the certification to ensure variance compliance.
2. Preliminary condition of approval 7(c) requires an agreement from Bureau of Reclamation (road variance condition). The agreement that I have (recorded copy) stipulates the agreement period for 10 years. I do not recall stipulating the agreement duration in the variance discussion. An agreement period of ten years seems short to grant the subdivision of land – relative to ongoing maintenance. Our typical access requirements are in perpetuity. Given the need to obtain access from the United States government is required – something in the range of 50 years seems reasonable. The applicant should demonstrate that a longer agreement period cannot be obtained for the Bureau of Reclamation.
3. Preliminary condition of approval 7(d)(v) requires the access to parcel 616536 be shown on the final plat. That condition is not met on the final plat that I have been provided for review.

Public Works will not sign the final plat in the absence of the above items being completed to our satisfaction. Please contact me with any questions you have regarding this response.