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ROSLYN RIDGE MINI GOLF
RECREATION AND RURAL CHARACTER

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Recreation is necessary within the definition of rural character because it provides an activity that is affordable and open to all ages, opportunities for physical activity, a sense of community, a connection to nature, and a way to attract local visitors and boost the local economy, all of which are vital components to rural character.

Recreation is an essential part of the rural character of Kittitas County. The opportunities created at the proposed Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf project offer a unique way to experience recreation. Guests can recreate by walking through and playing the miniature golf course while preserving the rural character of upper Kittitas County as defined in the Kittitas County Comprehensive Plan.

One of the qualities of recreation within a rural area is to provide an appealing recreational activity. This proposed project fulfills this by providing a family-friendly and affordable pastime. Miniature golf is relatively inexpensive and can be enjoyed by people of all ages and abilities. This makes it a great option for families and groups of friends who are looking for a fun and affordable way to spend time together. Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf will charge an affordable fee and will rival other recreational activities within the surrounding area. The game is relatively easy to learn and play, and it does not require any special skills or equipment. This makes it a great option for families with children of different ages as well as groups of friends with different fitness levels. The game is a social activity that can be enjoyed by people of all backgrounds, a great way to bond with family and friends, and a way to meet new people.

Important aspects of recreation in a rural area include the element of physical activity, which is essential when considering what makes a rural activity truly recreational. Physical activity would be a definable part of Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf. Miniature golf is a low-impact activity that can be enjoyed by people of all fitness levels. It is a great way to get some exercise and fresh air, and it can also help to improve coordination and balance. Playing on a mini golf course requires players to walk, swing a golf club, and

putt golf balls into holes. This promotion of physical health would ensure that this activity within a rural area is also recreational.

Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf would also help to create a sense of community. Miniature golf courses can be a place where people from all walks of life can come together and have fun. This can help to build relationships and create a sense of community in the rural Ronald area, especially in a place where so many people often vacate for a weekend. With the addition of lodging sites on the property, locals and out-of-town visitors will be able to congregate in a single space. The proposed project may host special events for families, such as birthday parties and family reunions, and may also provide exclusive events for visitors and the community, such as fundraisers, tournaments, and festivals. Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf will be located within the central area of the State Route 903 corridor, creating easy access for residents and visitors alike. Overall, this would be a recreational activity that brings local families and visitors together in one common rural area.

Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf is committed to preserving the rural aspect of the property and surrounding area through sustainable development. The mini golf course will be designed and operated in a way that minimizes environmental impact and supports local economies. For example, the applicant will use native plants, create low impact landscaping, and may partner with local businesses and communities to offer retail and rental facilities. Another rural aspect is the surrounding wildfire population within the area. The wildlife within and around Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf is abundant. Visitors may see deer, elk, eagles, and other animals in their natural habitat throughout the surrounding area while enjoying a round of mini golf. The mini golf course will be in a controlled area to protect the surrounding wildlife. These features both showcase and safely regulate recreation that exhibits the rural character of Kittitas County.

Since this proposed project is already in a rural area with many recreational opportunities and will offer temporary lodging, Roslyn Ride Mini Golf will likely attract local visitors. Miniature golf courses can be a popular tourist attraction, particularly in areas with natural beauty and other recreational opportunities. By attracting people from

the nearby area to rural communities and providing overnight accommodations, Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf can help to boost the local economy and create jobs. The proposed project is located close to other natural attractions and recreational opportunities, such as Speelyi Beach off Lake Cle Elum and a plethora of recreational trails. This can make the proposed project an attractive option for users close by who are looking for a variety of activities to enjoy. The mini golf course can provide visitors with a convenient place to stop and enjoy a fun activity while on their way to or from other outdoor activities and the lodging sites provide a temporary place to stay that is within close access to these recreational opportunities. The location of the course is in close proximity to other cities such as Roslyn and Cle Elum, which will attract those who live close by and create more economic activity in upper Kittitas County. Overall, Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf and its recreational appeal will be a valuable asset to the rural communities by attracting local visitors and boosting the economy within upper Kittitas County.

Recreation is a vital component of what makes rural areas in Kittitas County unique. In following the rural recreational goals of the County, Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf provides an activity that is affordable and open to all ages, opportunities for physical activity, a sense of community, a connection to nature, and a way to attract local visitors and boost the economy within upper Kittitas County, all of which are vital components to rural character. The proposed project will provide a one-of-a-kind way to experience rural recreation all while staying committed to the overarching vision of Kittitas County and its objectives. Roslyn Ridge Mini Golf will enhance rural character through recreation and create a place for people to socialize and gather while promoting environmental stewardship.