

## KITTITAS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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### State Environmental Policy Act MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

- Description:** Big Buck Ridge (LP-07-00040) is a proposed Preliminary Plat totaling 14 one acre single-family residential lots on 25 acres to be served by a group B water system with individual onsite septic systems. The project is proposed on a site that has a vested zoning of Rural-3.
- Proponent:** Wayne Nelson, authorized agent for Becky Andrus, landowner
- Location:** Two tax parcels, located approximately 1/2 mile north of the Yakima Avenue in the City of Cle Elum at 140 Big Buck Ridge Road, Cle Elum WA, in a portion of Section 26, Township 20N, Range 15E, WM in Kittitas County, bearing Assessor's map numbers 20-15-26010-0010 and 20-15-26010-0009.
- Lead Agency:** Kittitas County Community Development Services

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030 (2) (c) and WAC 197-11. This decision was made after review of a SEPA environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency, after considering voluntary mitigation measures which the lead agency or the applicant will implement as part of the proposal, and after considering mitigation measures required by existing laws and regulations that will be implemented by the applicant as part of the Kittitas County permit process. The responsible official finds this information reasonably sufficient to evaluate the environmental impact of this proposal. This information is available to the public on request.

The lead agency has determined that certain mitigation measures are necessary in order to issue a Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance (MDNS) for this proposal. Failure to comply with the mitigation measures identified hereafter will result in the issuance of a Determination of Significance (DS) for this project. The mitigation measures include the following:

#### Water and Septic

- 1) The proposed plat is located within the upper county as defined in WAC 173-539A-090; the proposed group B water system shall be developed in complete compliance with the regulations and requirements of WAC 173-539A. The development will need to:
  - a) Have well site inspections.
  - b) Complete and submit a Group B water system workbook.
  - c) Contract with a Satellite Management Agency.
  - d) Complete or bond for infrastructure.

- e) Obtain WSDOH approval and identification number.
- f) Construct well(s) in accordance with the provisions of WAC 173-160. Wells must be located 100 feet from any known, suspected, or potential source of contamination.
- g) File a well report with the Department of Ecology within thirty (30) days after the completion of the well.

2) On-site sewage systems shall be constructed in accordance with requirements and regulations in Kittitas County Code (KCC) 13.04 at the time of application (6/20/2007).

### **Transportation**

- 3) KCC 12.12.010(6) requires private roads within the plat to be maintained by a legal entity made up of all benefitted property owners under the provisions of an acceptable and recorded Private Road Maintenance Agreement.
- 4) All parcels located within this project shall be required to join the existing Private Road Maintenance Agreement which is made up of all the benefitted property owners served by Deer Creek Road and other roadways within Section 23, Township 20 North, Range 15 East.

### **Stormwater**

- 5) Activities such as road widening, stump pulling and clearing grading and fill work and utility placements may require an NPDES Construction Stormwater Permit issued by the Department of Ecology prior to start of construction. This permit requires the preparation of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan. It is the applicant's responsibility to contact the Department of Ecology.
- 6) On-site stormwater management that conforms to the specifications of the most current version of the Stormwater Management Manual for Eastern Washington is required of this development. Stormwater systems shall be designed to store stormwater generated by a 24-hour, 25-year storm event. Stormwater system designs shall be prepared and stamped by a civil engineer licensed in the State of Washington. The stormwater system design shall be presented for review to Public Works prior to final approval. The stormwater system construction shall be certified by a licensed engineer. The certification shall be included with the road certification and is required prior to the issuance of a building permit. Stormwater plans shall be submitted in accordance with KCC 12.06 and 12.08.

### **Cultural Resources and Historic Preservation**

- 7) Should ground disturbing or other activities related to the proposed plat result in the inadvertent discovery of cultural or archaeological materials, work shall be stopped in the immediate area and contact be made with the Washington State DAHP. Work shall remain suspended until the find is assessed and appropriate consultation is conducted. Should human remains be inadvertently discovered, as dictated by Washington State RCW 27.44.055, work shall be immediately halted in the area and contact made with the coroner and local law enforcement in the most expeditious manner possible.

### **Light and Aesthetics**

- 8) All outdoor lighting shall be shielded and directed downward to minimize the effect to nearby residential properties.


### **Noise**



- 9) Development and construction practices during building of this project shall only occur between the hours of 7:00 am to 7:00 pm to minimize the effect of construction noise on nearby residential properties.

The above stated mitigation conditions listed above will be provided within conditions of the decision of the preliminary plat of approval.

**Responsible  
Official:**

  
Robert "Doc" Hansen

**Title:** Planning Official

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**Date:** March 25, 2015

This Mitigated DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-355 and WAC 197-11-390; the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 10 working days. Any action to set aside, enjoin, review, or otherwise challenge this administrative SEPA action's procedural compliance with the provisions of Chapter 197-11 WAC shall be commenced on or before 5:00 pm, April 9, 2015.

**Pursuant to Chapter 15A.04.020 KCC, this MDNS may be appealed by submitting specific factual objections in writing with a fee of \$500.00 to the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners, Kittitas County Courthouse Room 110, Ellensburg, WA 98926. Timely appeals must be received within 10 working days, or no later than 5:00 PM, April 9, 2015. Aggrieved parties are encouraged to contact the Board at (509) 962-7508 for more information on appeal process.**