



KITTITAS COUNTY

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Kirk Holmes, Director

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Mr. Chad Bala:

Your request for Kittitas County Public Works Department to waive the Transportation Impact Analysis (TIA) requirement for the Reecer Ranch Plat (LP-12-00001) cannot be granted.

Maintaining a standard level of service is a Growth Management Act (GMA) requirement under RCW 36.70A.070 and Kittitas County Code Title 12.10 Transportation Concurrency Management. Adequate transportation infrastructure must be available or planned and funded at the time new development is occupied and that the level of service for that infrastructure must meet standards set by the county. Kittitas County's traffic level of service standard is "C" in rural areas.

This development proposal will result in an increase of traffic on several intersections just west of Ellensburg, including the intersection of University Way and Reecer Creek Road. All of the affected intersections are currently outside of the federally designated urban area and considered rural. The County requires all proposed developments to pay their proportionate share of the cost to achieve transportation concurrency. It is expected that this development will be required to pay a proportionate share of the cost for intersection improvements needed at University Way and Reecer Creek Road to comply with GMA transportation concurrency requirements. The TIA shall provide a reasonable estimate of this development's traffic impacts to determine that proportionate cost share.

Please feel free to contact me or Jan Ollivier at 509-962-7523 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kirk Holmes
Public Works Director

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