



KITTITAS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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Chuck Cruse
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RE: Rainier Vista Short Plat (SP-08-00047)

Dear Mr. Cruse:

The Kittitas County Community Development Services Department has determined that the Rainier Vista Short Plat (SP-08-00047) is a complete application and hereby grants *conditional preliminary approval* subject to the following conditions:

1. Both sheets of the final mylars shall reflect short plat number SP-08-00047 and an accurate legal description shall be shown on the face of the final plat.
2. Full year's taxes must be paid on all tax parcel numbers per requirement of the Kittitas County Treasurer's Office.
3. The following plat notes shall be recorded on the final mylar drawings:
 - All development must comply with International Fire Code.
 - The subject property is within or near designated natural resource land of long-term commercial significance on which a variety of commercial activities may occur that are not compatible with residential development for certain periods of limited duration. Commercial natural resource activities performed in accordance with county, state and federal laws are not subject to legal action as public nuisances. (RCW 7.48.305)
 - The approval of this division of land includes no guarantee that there is a legal right to withdraw groundwater within the land division. The approval of this division of land provides no guarantee that use of water under the ground water exemption (RCW 90.44.050) for this plat or any portion thereof will not be subject to curtailment by the Department of Ecology or a court of law.
 - Kittitas County will not accept private roads for maintenance as public streets or roads until such streets or roads are brought into conformance with current County Road Standards. This requirement will include the hard surface paving of any street or road surfaced originally with gravel.
 - Metering will be required on all residential well connections and metering results shall be recorded in a manner consistent with Kittitas County and Washington State Department of Ecology requirements.
4. Any ground water withdrawals in excess of 5,000 gallons per day or for the irrigation of more than 1/2 acre of lawn or noncommercial garden will require a permit from the Department of Ecology.
5. Chapter 173-150 WAC provides for the protection of existing rights against impairment, i.e. interruption or interference in the availability of water. If water supply in your area becomes limited your use could be curtailed by those with senior water rights.

6. Per Kittitas County Environmental Health, soil logs need to be performed and proof of water availability is needed. Evidence of both shall be provided to Community Development Services prior to final approval.
7. The addresses shall be clearly visible from both directions at the County Road for all properties.
8. The Fire Department access road shall be capable of supporting 75,000 lbs in all weather, be 20' wide, provide 13'6" vertical clearance and provide for adequate turn-around for fire department apparatus.
9. Please see the attached comments from Kittitas County Department of Public Works for plat notes and further issues that must be addressed prior to final approval.

Approval of the Rainier Vista Short Plat may be appealed to the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners upon request of any aggrieved party within 10 working days, and shall accordingly be eligible for final administrative approval after February 28th, 2009. Administratively approved short plats must be recorded with the County Auditor and shall not be deemed approved until so filed. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

You may appeal this determination pursuant to KCC 15A.07.010 by submitting specific factual objections and a fee of \$500 to the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners (205 W. 5th, Room 108) by February 28, 2009 at 5:00p.m.

Sincerely,



Jeff Watson
Staff Planner

CC: Applicant
Required parties (KCC 15A)