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Gloria Sharp
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Dear Ms. Sharp,

I would like to thank you for your comment letter dated November 28th, 2012 regarding the O'Keefe Short Plat No2 subdivision application, and let you know that it did not go without review or consideration. I appreciate your concerns regarding future development and drainage patterns, but for land use applications at the subdivision stage, there are really no tools in our toolbox at this time to address your concerns. It is expected that the County will be proposing "Grade and Fill" regulations which may go into effect some time in the next year or so, but at this time the only department of ecology has jurisdiction over the movement more than an acre of material. Additional information regarding Ecology's stormwater and stormwater permits may be found at: <http://www.ecv.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/>.

I have added language to the Conditional Approval which "... *strongly encourages...*" good communication with adjacent property owners at "... *all phases of development and construction...*" in the hope that the applicant will take the time to read both this letter and your comment letter, and take reasonable steps to develop and maintain a neighborly relationship for the future.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any additional concerns, now or in the future, regarding this application and the future development of these properties.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey A. Watson
Staff Planner

"Be at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let every New Year find you a better man."

Benjamin Franklin

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