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# Additional Correspondence

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# Collins – PLN130339

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:30 AM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: PLN 130339/ APN 241 021 007 000

Dear Melissa,

Could you please make sure the Planning Commission receives a copy of this email.

Thank you,

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Michelle,

I was made aware that the Zoning Administrators will be hearing the Project application for Collins at 83 Mt Devon Road, Carmel Highlands APN 241 021 007 000 (plan130339) on August 31 st. I was never notified as I requested back on May 04,2017.

Furthermore, I requested to come to Salinas to discuss this with the planner Anna V. Quenga and was never given the opportunity.

I wish to confirm that the Emails & Fax (containing a copy of The Conservation and Scenic Easement, APN map & Monterey Herald Article 1967 showing dedication), that I sent to the Planning Commission prior to May 04, 2017 will be part of the file presented by staff at next weeks meeting. Other materials would be from Zane De Amaral & Meghan De Amaral. Please also include this email in the file for plan 130339.

We oppose this application and believe that the Conservation and Scenic Easement of 1967 should be upheld .

Thank you Gwyn De Amral

#### McDougal, Melissa x5146

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Tuesday, August 22, 2017 9:30 AM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: PLN130339 - Legal Issues re Conservation Easement Letter to Anna Quenga re Easement 8-21-17.pdf

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Anna:

Attached is a letter that describes various legal issues arising from the Conservation and Scenic Easement that was placed on the property that is the subject of the application in PLN130339 in 1967. As indicated in the letter, I believe that the easement, which was accepted by the Board of Supervisors of Monterey County in February 1967, remains in full force and effect. If that is true, it would be a violation of the Government Code for the Planning Commission to approve the application or any of the building permits associated with it. At a minimum, because the terms of the easement prohibit the proposed development, I believe that the issues related to the validity of the easement should be addressed before the Planning Commission proceeds with consideration of the substance of the application.

Mr. De Amaral (as a representative of the De Amaral family) and I would be happy to meet with you and attorneys from the Office of the County Counsel to discuss these issues and to make available the materials that I have collected regarding the land transactions that resulted in this property - which was given to the Monterey Foundation for Conservation in 1966 - ending up in private hands.

If a decision is made to proceed with the hearing on PLN130339 on August 30<sup>th</sup> without first addressing the Conservation Easement, I ask that the material in the attached letter and the exhibits be made a part of the record. I

have attempted to copy all of the members of the Planning Commission on this email, but will rely on your to insure that everyone is made aware of this issue.

Thanks again for your assistance throughout the past several months. As we both are now aware, having to go back fifty years to search for records and correspondence about this property had made this application particularly difficult. Nonetheless, I think that we now have enough of the historical materials for the Planning Commission to be able to understand and resolve the easement issues.

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#### Via Email and U.S. Mail

August 7, 2017

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## Re: PLN130339 (Collins) – Legal Issues Created by the 1967 Conservation Easement and the De Amaral Preserve

Ms. Quenga:

It has taken me longer to collect the historic documents and other information that I needed for this letter than I anticipated when I spoke with you several weeks ago. In any event, the purpose of this letter is to make you and the Office of the County Counsel aware of various legal issues that will arise if the Planning Commission or the Board of Supervisors were to authorize the proposed development at 83 Mt. Devon Road in Carmel without addressing the current legal status of the Conservation and Scenic Easement that governs the use of this property.

While it is not mentioned anywhere in the proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by your office, a Conservation easement was established on this property by the Monterey County Foundation for Conservation on February 23, 1967. The easement - which prohibits any of the development proposed in the current application - was accepted by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors and recorded on March 3, 1967.

Comments submitted by other citizen groups demonstrate the unprecedented nature of the pending application - which requires both a change in zoning and variances from slope and setback requirements established by the Carmel Area Land Use Plan. In addition, however, the land on which the proposed construction would take place is within the De Amaral Preserve, a 30-acre parcel of open-space land that was created by the 1967 easement as a permanent memorial to Major Frank De Amaral, who was a U.S. Army pilot who died in combat in Viet Nam in 1965.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The De Amaral Preserve open space is explicitly recognized as a scenic easement and open space in the Carmel Area Land Use Plan ("CALUP"). It has been part of the CALUP since its

As described in greater detail below, I believe that the easement remains in full force and effect. If that is correct, it would be a violation of the California Open-Space Easement Act of 1974 and Government Code section 51086 if Monterey County were to issue a building permit for any of the structures proposed in the current application.

# A. The 1967 Conservation and Scenic Easement and Establishment of the De Amaral Preserve

The current application proposes to construct a residence on extremely steep slopes located in a 30-acre parcel (APN 241-021-007) that the applicant acquired in 1994. In December 1966, those 30 acres of land were donated to the Monterey County Foundation for Conservation by Mr. N.J. D'Ambrogio, a local landowner, in memory of Major De Amaral. The event was commemorated in a photograph and story (below) that appeared in the Monterey County Herald on February 6, 1967.



Members of the family of the lafe Maj. Frank De Amaral Jr., an Army pilot killed in Vietnam in 1965. Were honored gnesis Sakarday at the second annual community beautification forum of the Monierey County Foundation for Conservation. A 33-acre section of Mount Devon in Carmel Highlands, a gift to

the foundation from Mr. and Mrs. N. J. D'Ambrogio is soon to be dedicated in De Amaral's memory. From left are his father, Frank De Amaral Sr., his widow Mrs. Frank De Amaral Jr.; Mrs. D'Ambrogio: hi mother, Mrs. Frank De Amaral Sr., and Budley Swim president of the foundation.

adoption in 1983. Specific references to the DeAmaral Preserve appear in the CALUP on pages 71 (fn.) and 93. The family name is inconsistently spelled in the CALUP as "DeAmaral" and "deAmaral." The preferred spelling is "De Amaral."

Shortly after the luncheon described in the photograph, on February 24, 1967, the Foundation for Conservation formalized the dedication to Major De Amaral by executing a Conservation and Scenic Easement Deed on the property and conveying the easement to Monterey County. The Board of Supervisors accepted the easement on February 24<sup>th</sup> and caused both the Deed and the Resolution of Acceptance to be recorded.<sup>2</sup>

At the time the easement was created, the property was completely undeveloped. It is clear from the terms of the deed that the parties intended that the land would remain that way and would become permanent open space. The easement deed makes specific reference to the "natural beauty and existing openness" of the property and states that *both* the Foundation and the County of Monterey "desire to preserve and conserve for the public benefit the natural condition [of the property] and *present state of use*." Exhibit 1, pg. 1 (emphasis added).

The language of the deed also makes it clear that the intent of the parties in creating a conservation and scenic easement and conveying it to the County was to *protect* the land as open space and prohibit all development not specifically authorized by the terms of the easement. Thus, the easement deed recites:

Grantor is willing to grant to the County of Monterey the scenic use as hereinafter expressed of the said land, and thereby protect, maintain, and enhance the present scenic beauty and existing openness by the restricted use and enjoyment of said property by the Grantor because of the imposition of the conditions hereinafter expressed. Exhibit 1, pg. 1.

In addition to general language barring any future use of the property that would "materially alter the landscape," the easement deed contains at least two specific prohibitions that preclude the development proposed by the applicant in PLN 130339. *First*, is a prohibition against the erection of buildings or structures of any kind on the land not directly related to utility purposes or the enhancement of the land as "an undeveloped scenic area."

[N]o structures of any kind will be placed or erected upon said described premises, except structures, lines and other facilities necessary to maintain a water, drainage or sewer system, utilities consisting of telephone, power, and cable television lines, utility roads necessary to serve same, under, on or over

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A copy of the Conservation and Scenic Easement Deed is attached as Exhibit 1 to this letter. The easement was recorded on March 3, 1967. Monterey County Recorder's Office document G38428 (Reel 495, page 586). The Resolution authorizing acceptance of the easement stated that "this Deed is accepted with the understanding that the area described therein will not be used for credit as open space for an adjoining development." Monterey County Board of Supervisors Resolution No. 67-73, February 28, 1967. A copy of the resolution was recorded along with the Deed. A copy of the Resolution appears at Reel 495, page 594.

said land, bridges, fences, and other structures reasonably necessary and incidental to the construction, maintenance, and operation of an undeveloped scenic area, including but not limited to roads, riding and hiking trails, fireplaces and picnic areas. Exhibit 1, pg. 2, ¶1.

Plainly, the house and garage proposed in PLN 130339 are structures which are prohibited by the terms of the easement.

Second, the proposed development also violates the prohibition against excavation and topographical changes to the land. Thus, the easement deed provides,

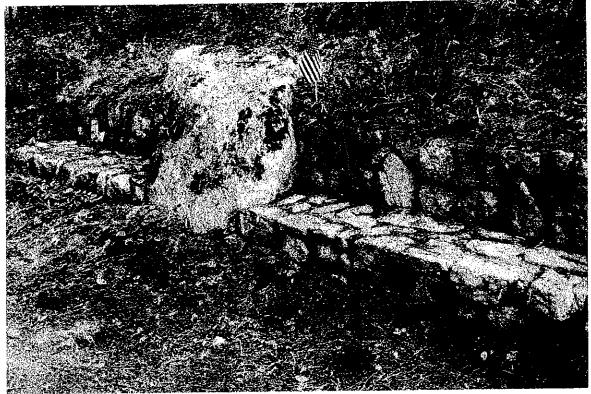
> [E]xcept for the construction, alteration, relocation and maintenance of roads and riding and hiking trails, the general topography of the landscape shall me maintained in its present condition and no excavation or topographic changes shall be made, except to prevent erosion or damage to the land. Exhibit 1, pg.3,  $\P$ 3.

Once again, there can be no question that the extensive excavation proposed in PLN 130339 violates the terms of the 1967 easement.

The 30 acres which comprise the De Amaral Preserve has remained as undeveloped, open-space for more than 50 years. In view of this history, it is difficult to comprehend why the County of Monterey which has protected the De Amaral Preserve as open space throughout that period would even consider, much less approve, an application that directly violates the terms of the easement and is fundamentally inconsistent with the zoning, slope and set back provisions of the Carmel Area Land Use Plan.

B. Subsequent Changes in the Ownership of the De Amaral Preserve

The Monterey County Foundation for Conservation held title to the land which makes up the De Amaral Preserve for ten years. During that period, Major De Amaral's family constructed a large stone bench on the property adjacent to Mt. Devon road and installed a bronze plaque identifying the land as the "Major Frank De Amaral Memorial Preserve." A recent photograph of the stone bench and a photograph of the bronze plaque that was taken in the 1970's appear on the following page.



De Amaral Preserve Bench – August 2017

While the bronze plaque was later stolen, the following is a copy of a photograph of the plaque taken in the 1970's:

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The inscription on the plaque described the preserve and its purpose as follows:

This pine forest preserve was presented to the Monterey County Foundation for Conservation on December 13, 1966 by N.J. D'Ambrogio as a perpetual memorial to Major Frank De Amaral of the United States Army who died in combat in Vietnam on October 4, 1965.

Mr. D'Ambrogio died in 1972.<sup>3</sup> According to records obtained from the California Secretary of State's Office, the Foundation for Conservation was dissolved in 1984. In March 1977, the Foundation for Conservation transferred title to the De Amaral Preserve to the BSI Foundation, a non-profit corporation that was associated with the Behavioral Sciences Institute.<sup>4</sup> The BSI Foundation owned the Preserve property until 1989. The Behavioral Sciences Institute, itself, never owned any of the land in the De Amaral Preserve. Neither the Institute, nor the BSI Foundation, ever proposed to develop the property in the De Amaral Preserve in any way.<sup>5</sup>

In August 1989, the BSI Foundation sold the land underlying the De Amaral Preserve to Walter and Loretta Warren.<sup>6</sup> The circumstances (including the amount paid for the property) surrounding the transfer from the BSI Foundation to the Warrens are unclear. However, it seems that the Behavioral Sciences Institute was insolvent at the time and had been for several years. The Warrens held the property for a little more than four years. They sold the Preserve property to an entity called the Kakis Family

<sup>3</sup> Stanford News, *Endowed Professorships Announced*, July 21, 2004, *at* http://news.stanford.edu/news/2004/july21/med-professorships-721.html.

<sup>4</sup> The deed transferring title to the land to the BSI Foundation is dated February 28, 1977. It was recorded on March 23, 1977. Monterey County Recorder's Office document G12597 (Reel 1129, page 471).

<sup>5</sup> In August 1977, the Behavioral Sciences Institute purchased approximately 110 acres in the Carmel Highlands from Stanford University. The Institute sought to develop a portion of the 110 acres as an "international educational conference center." See Santa Cruz Sentinel, *Ronald Zeller Named Director of Foundation*, November 24, 1975, page 4, *available at* <u>https://www.newspapers.com/newspage/62485286/</u>. In 1986, the Institute defaulted on a deed of trust that secured loans the Institute had used to finance the purchase of the 110 acres and the land was acquired by the lender in a foreclosure sale. See Trustee's Deed executed December 3, 1987, recorded on January 22, 1988. Monterey County Recorder's Office document 03729 (Reel 2190, page 1141).

<sup>6</sup> The deed transferring title to the Warrens was signed on August 16, 1989. It was recorded on August 18, 1989. Monterey County Recorder's Office document 45369 (Reel 2399, page 1205).

Revocable Trust in November 1993 for \$108,000.<sup>7</sup> Three months later, in February 1994, the Kakis Family Revocable Trust sold the property to the current owners, James G. and Sook Collins for \$129,000.<sup>8</sup>

# C. Purported Termination of the Conservation and Scenic Easement in 1990

During the 48 years between the creation of the De Amaral Preserve in 1966 and August 2014, when the current application was initially filed, no one had ever proposed to develop this property or otherwise violate any of the provisions of the Conservation and Scenic Easement. However, in December 1990, a year and a half after they acquired the property from the BSI Foundation, Walter and Loretta Warren executed an instrument purporting to "terminate" the Conservation and Scenic Easement that the Foundation for Conservation had given to Monterey County in 1967. A copy of the Notice of Termination is attached as Exhibit 2.<sup>9</sup>

Whatever their motivation, the Warrens never sought an administrative or judicial determination that the alleged termination was valid or effective. They never sought (and certainly never obtained) consent from Monterey County to termination of the easement. They did not file any legal opinion as part of the Notice of Termination, and they never sought judicial confirmation of the termination via a suit to *quiet title* on the land. Instead, the Warrens sold the property and left it to subsequent owners to find out whether the Notice of Termination had any legal effect.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The Warren to Kakis deed is dated November 23, 1993. It was recorded on December 2, 1993. Monterey County Recorder's Office document 85648 (Reel 3032, page 897).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The Kakis to Collins deed is dated February 8, 1994. It was recorded on February 22, 1994. Monterey County Recorder's Office document 13941 (Reel 3069, page 778).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> The Notice of Termination is dated December 21, 1990. It was recorded on December 24, 1990. Monterey County Recorder's Office document 74179 (Reel 2590, page 780). As recorded, the Notice of Termination included the easement, itself, but did not include the notarization, the property description or the Board of Supervisors Resolution accepting the easement that was recorded in 1967.

# D. Requirements for Termination Established in Paragraph 7 of the Easement Deed

In the Notice of Termination that they recorded in December 1990, the Warrens cited "Article 7" of the Conservation and Scenic Easement Deed and the passage of the California Coastal Act of 1976<sup>10</sup> as support for their action. Paragraph 7 of the 1967 Deed of Easement (Exhibit 1) establishes two preconditions for termination of the easement:

- a. That the Legislature pass a statute pursuant to Article XXVIII of the state Constitution or a statute similar to the Land Conservation Act of 1965; and
- b. In order to qualify, the statute passed by the legislature must restrict the property to "scenic and recreational uses" or the production of food, fiber or natural resources.

As the text of the Deed of Easement made clear in 1967, both the Grantor (the Foundation for Conservation) and the Grantee (Monterey County) intended that the land in the De Amaral Preserve would remain as open-space ("preserve and conserve for the public benefit the natural condition and present state of use") in perpetuity. See discussion at page 3, *supra*.

The easement wasn't drafted to allow the Grantor to walk away from the restrictive provisions any time he, or his successors, felt like doing so.<sup>11</sup> Instead, Paragraph 7 was drafted merely to allow the Grantor to take advantage of subsequent legislation that could provide the same degree of protection for the land, but might offer property tax advantages or other benefits that were not available in 1967 for non-agricultural land such as the De Amaral Preserve.

The text of the relevant portion of paragraph 7 is as follows:

In the event that the State of California, or any political subdivision thereof, should pass legislation pursuant to Article XXVIII of the Constitution of the State of California, or should pass legislation such as the California Land Conservation Act of 1965, or other legislation for the purpose of restricting

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Public Resources Code §§30000-30900.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Had that been the Grantor's intent, Paragraph 7 would have been shorter and much more specific.

the use of real property to conserve and maintain natural scenic beauty, open space lands, natural resources and agricultural land for plan and animal production, which legislation shall restrict, or would by agreement of Grantor, or its successors in interest restrict, the use of said property for scenic or and recreational uses or for the use of natural resources or for the production of food and fiber, the Grantor, or its successors in interest, shall have the option to have the property described in Exhibit A, or a portion thereof, subjected to the restrictions created by such legislation, free from the restrictions imposed by this conveyance. Should Grantor, or its successors in interest, desire to exercise the option to restrict the use of a portion of or all of said real property pursuant to such legislation, Grantor, or its successors in interest, shall give notice to the Grantee of the exercise of said option. Upon the giving of such notice, this conveyance, as to the portion of the property subjected to such legislation or which will be subject to such legislation by the agreement of the Grantor, or its successors in interest, shall immediately cease and determine and revert to and vest in the Grantor, or its successors in interest, upon becoming subject to such legislation; the intent of this clause being that in the event that the subject property, or a portion thereof, shall become restricted pursuant to such legislation, that the restrictions placed upon Grantor, or its successors in title, on said real property shall become null and void and of no further force and effect.

Conservation and Scenic Easement (Exhibit 1, ¶7) (emphasis added).

The language of Paragraph 7 requires both subsequent legislation similar to the Williamson Act and statutory provisions in that legislation (or which could be drafted in response to the legislation) that would significantly restrict the use of the land. There is nothing in the language to suggest that it was intended to allow a subsequent landowner to eviscerate the terms of the easement and develop the land in a manner fundamentally at odds with the original intent.

# E. The Notice of Termination is Invalid Because It Is Contrary to the Requirements of Paragraph 7

The Notice of Termination claims, without any analysis, that (a) the California Coastal Act<sup>12</sup> ("Coastal Act") constitutes "the qualifying legislation" which authorizes termination of the easement. The Notice does not explain how the Coastal Act "restricts the use of the property for scenic and recreational uses." Nor does the Notice identify the goals of the Grantor when it created the easement, much less how the Coastal Act "fully

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> PUB. RES. CODE §§30000 et seq..

meets all of the goals and objectives of the Grantor." Notice of Termination (Exhibit 4, ¶2). In truth, the Notice of Termination was nothing but a transparent ploy to remove deed restrictions that impaired the resale value of the Warren's land.

Because the Easement Deed was recorded, along with the County's resolution of acceptance, the Warrens were in no position to claim that they were ignorant of the restrictions when they acquired the property. Nor is there any evidence what they paid for the property, if anything, when they acquired it from the BSI Foundation.<sup>13</sup>

# 1. The California Coastal Act Does Not Meet the Requirements for Qualifying Legislation Established in Paragraph 7

The first sentence of paragraph 7 identifies two, closely-related examples of legislation that could provide the basis for terminating the Conservation and Scenic Easement. Both deal with property tax relief. The first reference is to the passage "of legislation pursuant to Article XXVIII of the Constitution of the State of California." The second reference is to "legislation such as the California Land Conservation Act of 1965" – a statute known today, more commonly, as the "Williamson Act."

Article XXVIII of the California Constitution was proposed by the Legislature and approved by the electorate as Proposition 3 in 1966.<sup>14</sup> It was added to the state Constitution to resolve doubts about the constitutionality of the Williamson Act (which had been enacted in 1965) and to free that statute and other open space legislation from the mandatory, market value assessment provisions of the California Constitution. *See Sierra Club v. City of Hayward* (1981) 28 Cal.3d 840, 851 (171 Cal. Rptr. 619); *Dorcich v. Johnson* (1980) 110 Cal. App.3d 487, 493 (167 Cal. Rptr. 897); see also THOMAS BARRETT, THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT IN CALIFORNIA 36 (Island Press 1983).

As enacted, Article XXVIII provided,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> According to records obtained from the California Attorney General's Office the land was transferred about the time the BSI Foundation dissolved. The land could have been transferred in satisfaction of an antecedent debt to the Warrens. Otherwise, the land should have been transferred to another charitable or non-profit foundation as required by the BSI Foundation Articles of Incorporation and California law.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> In 1974, the substance of Article XXVIII was moved to Article XIII, Section 8 of the Constitution.

> Notwithstanding any other provision of this constitution, the Legislature may by law define open space lands and provide that when such lands are subject to enforceable restriction, as specified by the Legislature, to the use thereof solely for recreation, for the enjoyment of scenic beauty, for the use of natural resources, or for production of food or fiber, such lands shall be valued for assessment purposes on such basis as the Legislature shall determine to be consistent with such restriction and use.

Whatever else might be said about the Coastal Act, it was not "passed pursuant to Article XXVIII of the Constitution of the State of California," nor did the constitutionality of the Coastal Act depend on Article XXVIII. The Coastal Act does not mandate that property be maintained as "open space." Nor does the Coastal Act specify how "such lands shall be valued for assessment purposes." Plainly, the California Coastal Act is not the kind of legislation the Foundation for Conservation had in mind in the first example cited in Paragraph 7.

That is equally true of the second statutory example cited in Paragraph 7. The Coastal Act bears no resemblance to the California Land Conservation Act of 1965 (the "Williamson Act"). The Williamson Act was enacted to deter the rapid and irreversible loss of agricultural land by preserving agricultural land throughout California in exchange for reduced property taxes for the owners of that land. *Sierra Club v. City of Hayward* (1981) 28 Cal.3d 840,850 [171 Cal. Rptr. 619]; De Vita v County of Napa (1995) 9 Cal.4<sup>th</sup> 763, 791 [38 Cal. Rptr.2d 699.

The Coastal Act is a procedural statute designed to create a "comprehensive scheme to govern land use planning for the entire coastal zone of California." *Yost v. Thomas* (1984) 36 Cal.3d 561, 565 [205 Cal. Rptr. 801]. The Coastal Act establishes "minimum standards and policies for localities to follow in developing land use plans" but gives "wide discretion to local government to determine the contents of such plans." *Id.* 36 Cal.3d at 572-573; *McAllister v County of Monterey* (2007) 147 Cal. App.4<sup>th</sup> 253, [54 Cal. Rptr.3d 116, 127].

The structure of the Coastal Act isn't based on the Williamson Act and it does not "restrict . . . the use of said property [i.e., the De Amaral Preserve] for scenic and recreational uses" as required by Paragraph 7 required if the statute was to be the legislative predicate for termination of the 1967 easement.

# 2. Examples of Subsequent Legislation that Could Have Been Used If the Warrens Wanted to Protect the Land

If the land in the De Amaral Preserve had been "devoted to agricultural use" in 1966 or land located in an area that Monterey County had designated as an "agricultural preserve," the California Land Conservation Act of 1965 would have been a vehicle that the Foundation for Conservation could have used to protect the status of the 30 acres that were set aside as the De Amaral Preserve.<sup>15,16</sup> However, in 1967 it was certainly possible that the California legislature would enact legislation to protect and preserve open space land based on the Williamson Act and extend property tax relief to open space and other types of conservation lands. In fact, during the next few years, that is exactly what occurred.<sup>17</sup>

In 1969 the Legislature enacted the Open-Space Easement Act of 1969.<sup>18</sup> This statute extended the use of contract mechanism contained in the Williamson Act to include lands devoted to recreational use and open space. The Open-Space Easement Act authorized local governments to accept and enforce open-space easements on private land

<sup>16</sup> If the land had otherwise qualified, the Williamson Act would have required the Foundation for Conservation to enter into an annually renewable contract with Monterey County that would have prevented any development on the land for a period of at least 10 years and would have imposed substantial penalties and a 10-year notice period to cancel or terminate the contract. *See, e.g., County of Humboldt v. McKee* (2008) 165 Cal. App.4<sup>th</sup> 1476, 1487-1489 [82 Cal. Rptr.3d 38]. A useful short summary of how the Williamson Act works appears in Michael Patrick Durkee, David H Blackwell and Thomas P Tunny, *A Modern Perspective on the Williamson Act*, CALIFORNIA REAL PROPERTY JOURNAL, Vol. 22 pages 5-7, *available at* http://www.allenmatkins.com/~/media/E3848D439DA54E15BB5E7ABD91726B96.pdf.

<sup>17</sup> One of California's early efforts to provide legislative protection for open-space land was the Scenic Deed Easement Act which was enacted in 1959. See Gov't Code §§6950-6954. In fact, that statute was a response to requests by landowners in Monterey County to protect their coastline from impending development. *See* THOMAS BARRETT, THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT IN CALIFORNIA, *supra*, at 11.

<sup>18</sup> Stat. (1969) Ch.762, §1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> The Williamson Act (Government Code section 51242) specifies that "[n]o city or county may contract with respect to any land pursuant to this chapter unless the land: (a) is devoted to agricultural; [or] (b) is located with an area designated by a city or county as an agricultural preserve."

and withhold building permits for construction of any improvements not authorized by the terms of the easement. See THOMAS BARRETT, THE CONSERVATION EASEMENT IN CALIFORNIA, supra, 16. In return for relinquishing such rights landowners would be eligible for the same use-related, assessment valuation provided for in the Williamson Act and authorized by Article XXVIII of the state Constitution. Id. at 16-17.19

The Open-Space Easement Act of 1969 is a perfect example of the type of legislation contemplated in Paragraph 7. Four years later, the legislature passed a similar statute that also would have qualified as a basis for invoking the termination provision in Paragraph 7.

The Open-Space Easement Act of 1969 specified that qualifying open-space easements had to extend for a period of at least 20 years in comparison to the 10-year, annually renewable contracts specified in the Williamson Act.<sup>20</sup> Nonetheless, the two statutes were clearly built on the same model for a similar purpose - i.e., encouraging land preservation through long-term contacts and property tax relief. In 1974, the Legislature enacted the Open-Space Easement Act of 1974<sup>21</sup> to bring the statute even more in line with the provisions of the Williamson Act. The 1974 Act reduced the minimum duration for qualifying easements to 10 years<sup>22</sup> and added a mechanism by which landowners could petition for early termination of an open-space easement.<sup>23</sup>

Both Open-Space Easement statutes (1969 and 1974) are examples of legislation that meets the requirements established in Paragraph 7 of the 1967 Conservation and Scenic Easement. In addition, both statutes were very similar in purpose, structure and effect to the Williamson Act. Both would have meet the requirement that "the legislation shall restrict, or would by agreement of Grantor, or its successors in interest restrict the use of said property for scenic and recreational uses . . ." See Exhibit 1, ¶7 (emphasis added).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> The statute specifically mentions Article XXVIII of the Constitution. See GOV'T CODE §51056(b)(8).
 <sup>20</sup> See California Government Code section 51053 and compare with section 51244.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Stat. (1974) Ch.1003, §2.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> GOV'T CODE §§51081.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Gov't Code §§51090-51094.

In 1990, both of the Open-Space Easement statutes were available to the Warrens if they had wanted to terminate the easement and, at the same time, ensure that the De Amaral Preserve would be protected from future development. Both statutes would have made it possible to preserve the undeveloped status that the Foundation for Conservation envisioned when it created the easement in the first place. Plainly, that isn't what Mr. and Mrs. Warren had in mind.

## F. The Planning Commission Is Required to Enforce the Easement

If the Notice of Termination was invalid in 1990, it is equally invalid today. The fact that 27 years have passed since the Notice of Termination was recorded, does not improve the validity of an improper and unlawful attempt to terminate the easement in violation of its terms.

Read in context, the language used in Paragraph 7 of the 1967 Easement Deed is clear and unambiguous in explaining the circumstances that would allow the Grantor (or a subsequent land owner) to convert the restrictions created by a private easement to restrictions enforced pursuant to a subsequent statute. If there is any ambiguity in the language, the historic record and the apparent intent of both the Grantor and Grantee of the easement to create a permanent, open-space memorial for Major De Amaral supplies any parol evidence required to demonstrate that the 1990 Notice of Termination was contrary to that intent. If the language used in a statute or written agreement is clear, it should be enforced according to its terms. *See County of Sacramento v. Pacific Gas & Elec. Co.* (1987) 193 Cal. App.3d 300, 308-310 [238 Cal. Rptr. 305]; *Von Klompenburg v. Berghold* (2005) 126 Cal. App.4<sup>th</sup> 345, 349 [23 Cal. Rptr.3d 799, 802-802]; CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE §815.2(d) ("The particular characteristics of a conservation easement shall be those granted or specified in the instrument creating or transferring the easement.").

There has been no prior application to develop any of the property in the De Amaral Preserve or otherwise within the scope of the 1967 easement prior. Neither the Warrens, nor any subsequent land owner, has ever petitioned Monterey County to modify the terms of the easement. Nor has anyone sought a judicial determination of the legal validity of the Notice of Termination or its consistency with the language of Paragraph 7.

### A. The Planning Commission is Required to Enforce the Easement

When the Board of Supervisors accepted the Conservation and Scenic Easement in 1967 it assumed a responsibility to enforce the easement and protect the land. Today

that obligation is codified in section 51086 of the California Government Code which provides, in pertinent part,

> From and after the time when an open-space easement has been accepted by the county or city and its acceptance endorsed thereon, no building permit may be issued for any structure which would violate the easement and the county or city shall seek by appropriate proceedings an injunction against any threatened construction or other development or activity on the land which would violate the easement and shall seek a mandatory injunction requiring the removal of any structure erected in violation of the easement.

Open-space land is a valuable and increasingly scarce, public resource. That is especially true of coastal land in Monterey County. There is no good reason, under any circumstances, for the Planning Commission to grant an application such as PLN130339 which is so completely at odds with the County's zoning and land use laws. But it is entirely inexplicable for the Planning Commission to proceed with this application in view of the evidence that the proposed development violates the provisions of an openspace easement that the County has held and protected for fifty years.

Please deny the application and protect the 30 acres of pristine, open-space land within the De Amaral Preserve.

Respectfully submitted, JULY WI Amt Auce Gary L. Fontana

Mr. Gwyn De Amaral cc:

Planning Commission Members Don Rochester (rochesterd@co.monterey.ca.us) Jose Mendez (mendezi@co.monterey.ca.us) Ana Abbriz (ambrizana@gmail.com) Cosme Padilla (padillac1@co.monterey.ca.us) Paul C. Getzelman (getzelmanpc@co.monterey.ca.us) Melissa Duflock (mduflock@gmail.com) Amy D. Roberts (amydroberts@gmail.com) Luther Hert (hertl1@co.monterey.ca.us) Keith Vandevere (vandeverek@co.monterey.ca.us) Martha Diehl (mvdiehl@mindspring.com)

<u>EXHIBIT 1</u>

Conservation and Scenic Easement Deed February 24, 1967

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CONSERVATION AND SCENIC EASEMENT DEED CA

THIS DEED made this 24th day of February . 1967 by and between the MONTEREY COUNTY FOUNDATION FOR CONSERVATION, a non-profit corporation, as Grantor, and the COUNTY OF MONTEREY, a political subdivision of the State of California, as Grantee.

#### WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the said Grantor is the owner in fee of the real property hereinafter described, situate in the County of Monterey, State of California; and

WHEREAS, the said land of said Grantor has certain natural scenic beauty and existing openness; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey has recognized said natural beauty and existing openness and has suggested that Grantor preserve the same for the public benafit, and, therefore, Grantor and Grantee desire to preserve and conserve for the public benefit the natural condition and present state of use; and

WHEREAS, the said Grantor is willing to grant to the County of Monterey the scenic use as hereinafter expressed of the said land, and thereby protect, maintain, and enhance the present scenic beauty and existing openness by the restricted use and enjoyment of said property by the Grantor because of the imposition of the conditions hereinafter expressed.

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the premises, the Grantor does hereby grant and convey unto the COUNTY OF MONTEREY an estate, interest and conservation and scenic easement in the real property described in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and made a part hereof, of the nature and character and to the extent hereinafter expressed, to be and to constitute a servitude upon said real estate of the Grantor, which estate, interest, easement and servitude will result from the restrictions hereby imposed upon the use of said property by said Grantor, and to that end and for the purpose of accomplishing the intent of the parties hereto, said Grantor covenants on behalf of itself, its heirs, successors, and assigns with the said Grantee, its successors or assigns, to do and refrain from doing severally and collectively upon the Grantor's said property the various acts hereinafter mentioned.

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Grantor reserves the right to make full use of said real property subject to the provisions of this scenic easement for all purposes which do not interfere with, impair, destroy, or detract from the scenic values preserved and conserved by this scenic easement, and Grantor specifically reserves the right to maintain and repair any facility which Grantor has heretofor constructed on said real property.

The restrictions hereby imposed upon the use of said property of the Grantor and the acts which said Grantor shall refrain from doing upon their said property in connection therewith are, and shall be, as follows:

1. That no structures of any kind will be placed or erected upon said described premises, except structures, lines and other facilities necessary to maintain a water, drainage or sewer system, utilities consisting of telephone, power, and cable television lines, utility roads necessary to serve same, under, on or over said land, bridges, fences, and other structures reasonably necessary and incidental to the construction, maintenance, and operation of an undeveloped scenic area, including but not limited to roads, riding and hiking trails, fireplaces and picnic areas.

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2. That no advertising of any kind or nature shall be located on or within said property except that which may be located on said premises at the time of the execution of this deed.

3. That except for the construction, alteration, relocation and maintenance of roads and riding and hiking trails, the general topography of the landscape shall be maintained in its present condition and no excavation or topographic changes shall be made, except to prevent erosion or damage to the land.

4. Grantor reserves the right to enter upon the real property described in Exhibit A and to bring upon the land all necessary equipment and persons reasonably necessary to fire control, to construct fire roads and other improvements for the purpose of fire protection, and to take any actions reasonably necessary for fire protection; Grantor further reserves the right to enter upon the property and engage in fire prevention and brush control practices.

5. That no use of said described property which will or does materially alter the landscape or other attractive scenic features of suid land other than those specified above shall be done or suffered.

6. If at any time the property herein described, or any portion thereof, shall be selected for condemnation by any public utility or any public, agency, including the Grantee, then and in that event this conveyance, insofar as it affects the property to be condemned, shall become null and void. Selection of said property shall be determined upon the filing of any action for taking or condemnation of said property, or any portion thereof, in a Court of competent jurisdiction. Upon the filing of any such action, this

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conveyance, insofar as it affects the property so selected for condemnation, shall immediately dease and determine and revert to and vest in the Grantor, its successors in interest, or assigns; the intent of this clause being that in the event of condemnation of the subject property, or any portion thereof, Grantor, or its successors in interest or assigns, are to be compensated in accordance with the market value of said property, said market value to be determined by the highest and best use of said property without reference to this conveyance.

7. 'In the event that the State of California, or any political subdivision thereof, should pass legislation pursuant to Article XXVIII of the Constitution of the State of California, or should pass legislation such as the California Land Conservation Act or 1965, or other legislation for the purpose of restricting the use of real property to conserve and maintain natural scenic beauty, open space lands, natural resources and agricultural land for plant and animal production, which said legislation shall restrict, or would by agreement of Grantor or its successors in intérest restrict the use of said property for scenic and recreational uses or for the use of natural resources or for the production of food and fiber, the Grantor, or its successors in interest, shall have the option to have the property described in Exhibit A, or a portion thereof, subjected to the restrictions created by such legislation, free from the restrictions imposed by this conveyance. Should Grantor, or its successors in interest, desire to exercise the option to. restrict the use of a portion of or all of said real property pursuant to such legislation, Grantor, or its successors in interest, shall give written notice to Grantee of the exercise of said option.

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Upon the giving of such notice, this conveyance, as to the portion of the property subjected to such legislation or which will be subject to such legislation by the agreement of Grantor, or its successors in interest, shall immediately cease and determine and revert to and vest in the Grantor, or its successors in title, upon becoming subject to such legislation; the intent of this clause being that in the event that the subject property, or a portion thereof, shall become restricted pursuant to such legislation, that the restrictions placed upon Grantor, or its successors in title, on said real property shall become null and void and of no further force and effect.

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To have and to hold unto the said County of Monterey, its successors and assigns forever. This grant shall be binding upon the heirs and assigns of the said Grantor and shall constitute a servitude upon the property described in Exhibit A hereto. The parties, or their successors in interest, however, reserve the right to modify, upon terms mutually satisfactory, the provisions of this agreement and Grantee shall have the right to reconvey to Grantor, or its successors in interest, the interest herein granted in whole or in part.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have set their hands and seal the day and year first hereinabove written.

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COUNTY OF MONTEREY

Supervisors the Board

"Grantee"

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All that certain real property situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, to-wit:

EXHIBIT "A"

BEING postions of the lands generally known as "Carmel Highlands . Proporty" (reference being made to "Map of a part of Carmel Highlands Property, showing survey lines of a part of Rancho San Jose Y Sur Chiquito, Monterey Co., Calif., " recorded May 15, 1918 in Volume 1 of Surveys, page 93, in the office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California, and to "Map No. 3 of a part of Carmel Highlands Property, showing survey lines of a part of Rancho San Jose Y Sur Chiguito, Monterey County, California", recorded May 2nd, 1925 in Volume 3 of Surveys, page 103, in the office of the Recorder of Monterey County, California), described as follows:

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BEGINNING at a point in the Easterly line of that tract of land, Conveyed by Barmel Development Company, a corporation, to Margaret H. Kilpatrick by deed dated November 21, 1927 and recorded January 30, 1928 in Volume 137 Official Records at Page 434, Montercy County Records, at point from which Station K-39 bears North 6° 33' East, 1032.33 feet; thence from said point of beginning running

S. 5° 33' E., 29.67 fest to a station, thence S. 58° 53' W., 115.82' feet to a station, thence S. 220 18' W., 174.19 feet to a station, thence , S. 22° 18° W., 174.19 feet to a station, thence S. 32° 525' W., 128.31 feet to a station, thence S. 12° 28' N., 198.36 feet to a station, thence S. 34° 50' W., 91.11 feet to a station, thence S. 62° 11' W., 190.12 feet to a station, thence S. 1° 59' W., 73.92 feet to a station, thence 5.4° 48' W. 173.06 feet to the northeremost corr

5. 540 48' W., 173.06 feet to the northernmost corner of that certain tract of land conveyed to William Charles Butcher, and Marietta Sparch Butcher, his wife, dated March 29, 1923 and recorded April 11, 1023 in Volume 16 Official Records of Montercy County, Page 12, thence following the northwesterly line of said Butcher property, S. 61° 30' W., 96.95 feet, S. 54° 36' W., 57,62 feet, and

S. 48° 57' W., 200.63 feet to Station in road; thence

N. 120 38' W., 153,80 feet, thence

N. 60 50' E., 199.48 feet to the southeasterly corner of that certain tract of land conveyed to Preston W. Search, by Deed dated May 26, 1927 and recorded August 23, 1927 in Volume 124 Official Records, Monterey County, Page 59, thence following the boundary of

the said Search property. N. 28° 26' W., 84.03 feet, N. 33° 21' E., 78.05 feet, N. 63° 21' W., 137.00 feet, and N. 33° 49' W., 87.15 feet to the most Northerly corner of said Search property, thence

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N. 35° 33' E., 98,57 feet to the southeasterly corner of that certain tract of land conveyed to Claire M. Puffor, by Deed dated August 12, 1923 and recorded August 28, 1923 in Volume 21 of Official Records, Monterey County, Page 452, thence N. 41º 48' E 146.09 feet, thence

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T-Survey N. 73 11' E., 214.79 feet to Station T-20; thence

N. 830 29' E., 92.72 feet to Station T-19; thence N. 440 522 E., 43.13 feet to Station T-18; thence S. 870 45' E., to a point on the East line of said tract conveyed S. 870 45' E., to a point on the East line of said tract conveyed to Margaret H. Kilpatrick by deed recorded in Volume 137 Official Records at Page 434 above referred to and from which point said Station K-39 bears N. 69.33' E., thence along the said East line S. 6 33 W., to the point of beginning.

Subject to the right of way for road purposes as reserved in the deed from Carmel Development Company, a corporation, to' Margaret H. Kilpatrick dated November 21, 1927 and recorded January 30, 1928 in Volume 137 Official Records at Page 434, Monterey County Records.

#### PARCEL 2:

BEGINNING at the most southerly corner of that certain tract of land conveyed to Preston W. Search, by the Carmel Development Company, a corporation, by deed dated May 26, 1927 and recorded August 23, 1927 in Volume 124 of Official Records, Monterey County, California, at Page 59; running thence S. 0° 55' E., 128.77 feet; thence S. 19° 04' E., 225.73 feet; thence N. 87° 25' E., 58.14 feet; thence N. 11° 34' M., 71.70 feet; thence N. 12º 38' W., 153.80 feet; thence N. 60 50' E., 199.48 feet; thence S. 55° 52' W., 141.26 feet; to the point of beginning.

SUBJECT to right of way for road purposes over strips of land 12% feet wide adjoining the Easterly and Westerly sides of said land which were reserved for road purposes in deed from Carmel Development Company to Margaret H. Kilpatrick, recorded in Volume 139 Official Records, at Page 279, Monterey County Records.

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#### Before the Board of Supervisors in and for the County of Monterey, State of California

Resolution No. 67-73 --Conservation and Soanio Easement Deed (Monterey County Foundation for Conservation) Accepted; Chairman Authorized to Execute Deed . . . . .

BE IT RESOLVED that the deed dated February 24, 1967, executed by Monterey County Foundation for Conservation, as Grantor, is hereby accepted and the Chairman is hereby authorized to execute said Deed.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Deed is accepted with the understanding that the area described therein will not be used for credit as open space for an adjoining development.

FASSED AND ADOPTED this 28th day of February, 1957, upon motion of Supervisor Hudson, seconded by Supervisor Atteridge, and carried by the following vote, to-wit:

> AYES: Supervisors Church, Atteridge, Wood, Anderson and Hudson.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: None,

COUNTY OF MONTEREY, ) STATE OF CALIFORNIA. (

L ENMERT O. MCMENTARIN, County Cierk and ex-officio Cierk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monlever, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of an original order of and Board of Supervisors duly made and entered in the minutes thereof at page \_\_\_\_\_\_ of Minute Book\_ 21\_\_\_\_\_ on the 2015 of the Adv. Rebruary\_\_\_\_\_\_ 1867., and now remaining of record in my office.

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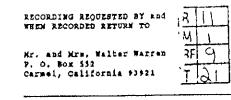
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Notice of Termination December 21, 1990



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#### NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF CONSERVATION AND SCENIC PASEMENT DEED

The undersigned, as successor in interest to the Grantor under that cartain Conservation and Scenic Essement Deed to Monterey County, dated February 24, 1967, recorded on Reel 495 at Page 586 of the Official Records of Monterey County ("Said Essement Deed"), a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit "A", does hereby give notice pursuant to Article 7 of Said Essement Deed, that it exercises its option to terminate Said Essement Deed in its entirety, effective as of this date, and Said Essement Deed, in accordance with its terms, is hereby rendered null and void and of no further force or effect.

This Notice of Termination is based upon the enactment of the California Coastal Act (Public Resources Code \$\$30,000 -30,900), the qualifying legislation, which fully means all of the goals and objectives of the Grantor, and authorizes termination of Said Easement Deed as expressly set forth therein. Dated; December  $\overline{\mathbb{C}/\mathbb{A}}$ , 1990

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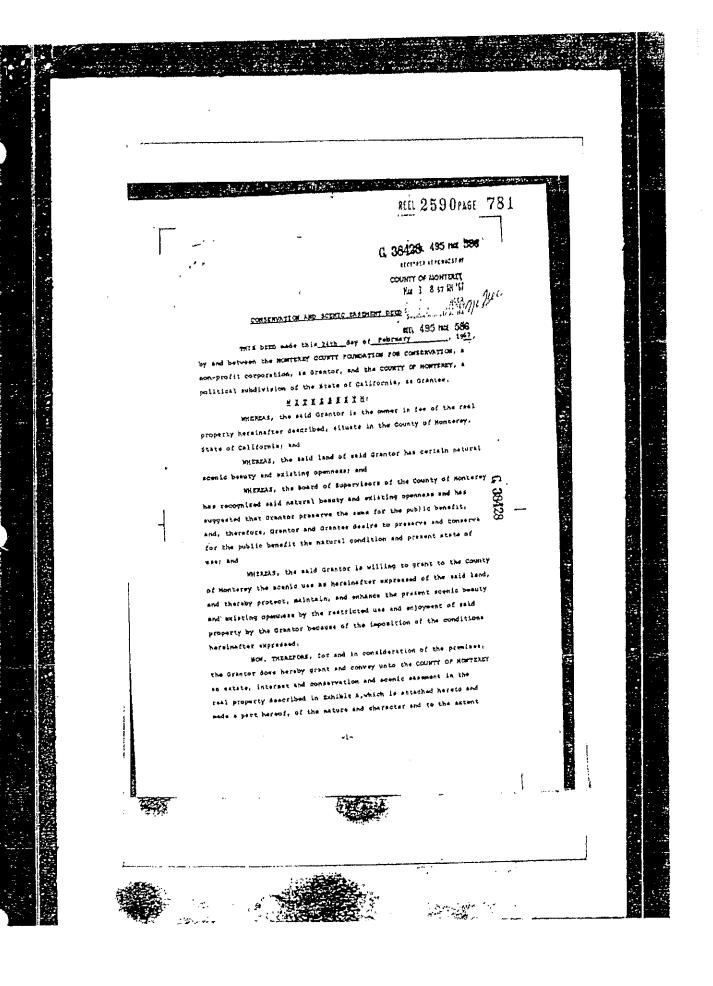
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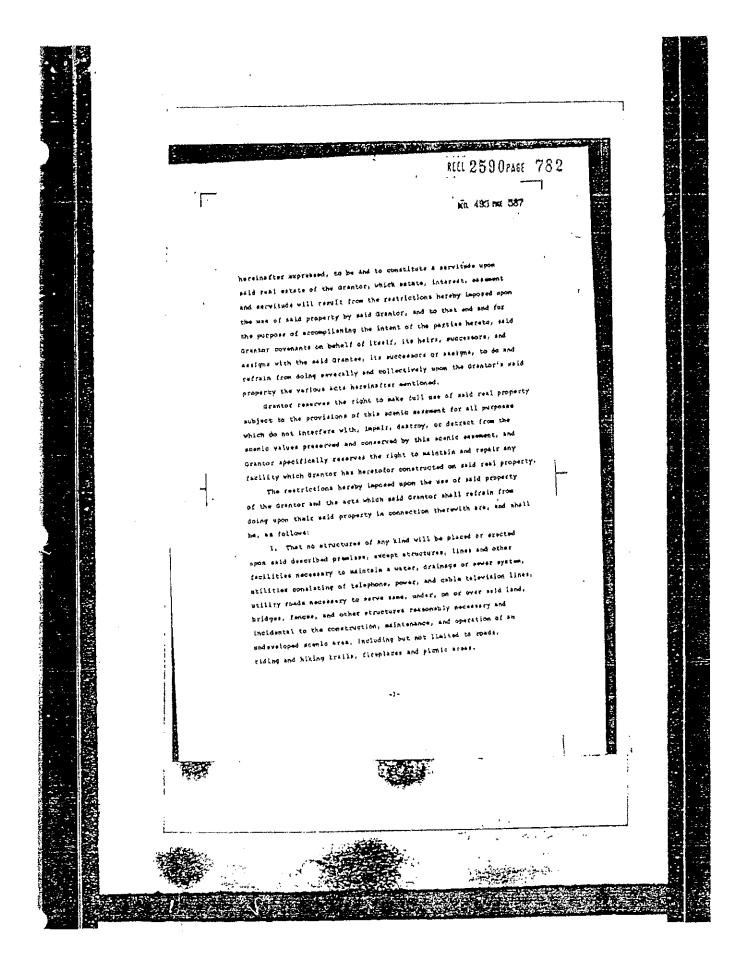


On this <u>Alif</u> day of <u>December</u>, 1990, before we the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared WALTER WARREN and LORETTA WARREN, personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the persons whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged that he executed the same.

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Thanks,

Anna V. Quenga, Associate Planner Current Planning Monterey County RMA-Planning 1441 Schilling Place ~ South Building Second Floor Salinas, CA 93901 (831) 755-5175 work (831) 757-9516 fax www.co.monterey.ca.us/pbi

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To: Rochester, Don <RochesterD@co.monterey.ca.us>; Quenga, Anna V. x5175 <QuengaAV@co.monterey.ca.us>; Martha V Diehl <mvdiehl@mindspring.com>; Vandevere, Keith <VandevereK@co.monterey.ca.us>; Hert, Luther <HertL1@co.monterey.ca.us>; amydroberts@gmail.com; mduflock@gmail.com; Getzelman, Paul C. <GetzelmanPC@co.monterey.ca.us>; Padilla, Cosme <PadillaC1@co.monterey.ca.us>; ambrizana@gmail.com; Mendez, Jose <MendezJ@co.monterey.ca.us>

Cc: Gwyn De Amaral <califwayoflife@aol.com>

Subject: Please do not allow development on the De Amaral Preserve

I join Gwyn de Amaral in opposing the Development Application and hope that you deny the application and start working in accordance with teh Local Coastal Plan on this and other matters such as Short-term rentals and Special Events.

Thank you,

Bob Danziger Carmel Highlands

The current application proposes to construct a residence on extremely steep slopes located in a 30-acre parcel (APN 241-021-007) that the applicant acquired in 1994. In December 1966, those 30 acres of land were donated to the Monterey County Foundation for Conservation by Mr. N.J. D'Ambrogio, a local landowner, in memory of my father Carmel Highlands residence Major Frank De Amaral who died in Vietnam October 4, 1965.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Tuesday, August 22, 2017 2:23 PM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: PLN 130339 Collins

Please add this to the PC comments.

Thanks,

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From: Annie [mailto:annmarieborelli@gmail.com] Sent: Tuesday, August 22, 2017 2:21 PM To: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 <QuengaAV@co.monterey.ca.us> Cc: John J Borelli <johnjborelli@gmail.com>; Ann-Marie Borelli <annmarieborelli@gmail.com> Subject: PLN 130339 Collins

To Whom it May Concern,

We have grave concerns about the proposed development of 83 Mount Devon Road.

We are opposed to the proposed rezoning and development of the De Amaral Preserve.

Our concerns are:

- 1. Rezoning the land: There is no good reason to permit this rezoning on land that was specifically set aside, and preserved, as an open space memorial for more than 50 years.
- Granting Variances: The count would have to grant both slope and set-back variances. That will create a
  dangerous precedent for future construction and excavation in the Carmel Highlands area that will result in
  long-lasting environmental
- Logistics: The effects of dump trucks hauling hundreds of tons of excavated material down Mt Devon, Fern Canyon and other narrow roads creates a hazardous situation for residents and will likely result in damaging the these residential roads

Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

John and Ann-Marie Borelli 43 Mount Devon Road

From: Sent: To: Subject: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Wednesday, August 23, 2017 1:13 PM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: PLN 130339

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From: linda uffenheimer [mailto:l.uffenheimer@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 1:06 PM
To: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 <QuengaAV@co.monterey.ca.us>
Subject: PLN 130339

Dear Ms. Quenga,

As residents of 35 Mount Devon Road, Carmel Highlands, CA, we are alarmed to hear of the proposed development to the property at 83 Mount Devon Road, on many different levels.

Most distressing is the intended violation of the original easement to create a permanent preserve for benefit to the public, in memory of Major Frank DeAmaral. This preserve is an honor to an American who died serving his country in the Vietnam War. Having very recently visited South East Asia, including both the northern and southern areas of Vietnam, and witnessing the destruction of cultures that the US sought to preserve by entering this conflict, the heroism of Major DeAmaral is of great consequence to us.

We are in receipt of a letter sent to you from the law offices of Mr. Gary L. Fontana, dated August 7, 2017, which outlines the intent of the creation of this space. It also delineates the history of this parcel since it's placement in trust to the County of Monterey. We feel it is the responsibility of our county administrators to hold dear the intended use of such gifts, and to honor the memory of a fallen hero.

Additional concerns, are current to ourselves and the residents of this neighborhood. Should development of this parcel be permitted, excavation to the property will most likely be required. Mount Devon Road is a narrow, winding road that is ill suited to traffic involving oversized vehicles. The presence of such equipment maneuvering through these roads is a hazard to the safety of the residents, especially in an area where fire danger is so severe. Moreover, the roads in this area have already suffered significant damage due to the heavy rains of last winter. Added stress due to movement of heavy equipment may result in the necessity of extremely costly road repair.

Further, excavation to the steep slopes to facilitate the proposed building, could result in instability to the hill sides. This could place properties of some of our neighbors in direct danger due to land slides and/or water damage from diversion of natural run-off.

We ask that you please take our concerns to heart, when considering the future of the DeAmaral Preserve, 83 Mount Devon Road.

Sincere regards,

Ken and Linda Uffenheimer 35 Mount Devon Road Carmel, CA 93923 August 23, 2017

County of Monterey Resource Management Agency – Planning Attn: Anna V. Quengaa, Associate Planner 168 West Alisal, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Salinas, CA 93901

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RE: PLN130339 – Neighbor Comment

Dear Ms. Quenga,

I am writing to you today to voice my strong opposition to the proposed single-family development at 83 Mount Devon Road, Carmel, CA. We reside immediately adjacent to the proposed development at 85 Mount Devon Road.

Our opposition is based on what appear to be very obvious restrictions against such a development. All of these restrictions were inacted by the county or appropriate legislature for meaningful and still enforceable reasons.

First and foremost, the land is not zoned for this type of structure.

Second, it appears this site has extreme slope and there are restrictions against building in such precipitous slopes.

Finally, we understand this land to be part of a tract of land that was deeded to a Conservation Easement during the 1960's strictly prohibiting any kind of development.

Any of these issues alone should strictly prevent any development at this location, taken as a whole I am not even sure how the project is being considered. Each of them are valid, reasonable, and to the best of our knowledge currently active restrictions to the planned development. It would be inexplicable for the Planning Commission to consider waiving even one of the above three issues, let alone all three, and I therefore strongly recommend the Planning Commission deny this application.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectully,

Craig Descalzi

Craig Descalzi 85 Mount Devon Road

From: Sent: To: Subject: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Thursday, August 24, 2017 3:12 PM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: 83 Mount Devon Road

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Thanks,

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Ms. Quenga,

Mr. Gary Fontana's letter justifies the reason this property should not be developed.

But as a neighbor who has suffered from down hill flooding and considerable damage to our house and property, I am truly concerned about the effects this will have on the entire neighborhood. I urge you to visit the site, look at our very narrow roads and see what dangers are presented with the amount of heavy machinery, trucks and when fully loaded, the damage that will be caused to our weak infrastructure.

When we approach another on coming car, one of us must yield to allow a vehicle to pass, if we were to encounter one of these trucks, we will have a real problem.

Please come out and personally assess this project while also reflecting on Mr. Fontana's letter to you.

Respectfully,

Paul M. Reps 131 Cypress Way Carmel Highlands, CA 93923 831-917-0999 preps@sbcglobal.net NOTICE: This e-mail is covered by the Electronic Communications Act, 18 U.S.C. SS <u>2510-2521</u> and is legally privileged. This E-Mail (including any attachments) may contain privileged or confidential information. It is intended only for the addressee(s) indicated above. The sender does not waive any of its rights, privileges or other protections respecting this information. Any distribution, copying or other use of this E-Mail or the information it contains, by other than an intended recipient, is not sanctioned and is prohibited. If you received this E-Mail in error, please delete it and advise the sender (by return E-Mail or otherwise) immediately



August 22,2017

County Of Monterey RMA- Planning Att : Anna Quenga ,Associate Planner 168 West Alisal , 2 nd Floor Salinas Ca 93901

Ms Quenga & Monterey Planning Department,

! strongly oppose development at 83 Mt. Devon Road ,Carmel Highlands. APN - 241 021 007.

This 30 acre preserve was left in Memory of my late husband, Major Frank De Amaral who was killed in action on October 4, 1965.

The 30 acre preserve was donated to Monterey County Foundation for Conservation by our friends Mr & Mrs N.J. D'Ambrogia on February 23, 1967. The Conservation and Scenic Easement was recorded and approved by the Monterey County Board of Supervisors and remains "intact" to this day. The "intent" was to preserve this Open Space land in recognition of the ultimate sacrifice my late husband gave to this country. The preserve was special to him as a child growing up in Carmel Highlands.

I strongly request that the planning board <u>deny</u> this project and continue to uphold the Conservation Scenic Easement . I would appreciate confirmation of this Email and would like to have my letter included with the Zoning Administration Packet for the meeting scheduled for Wednesday August 30, 2017.

Thank you . King Ellin R

Patricia De Amaral -King afgionti@aol.com,

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Location : 83 mt Devon Rd, Carmel Highlorda Parcel number: 241-021-007-000 Dear and Querge, Associate Planner and the Barning Commission, I am opposed to the above project. I have lived in my home on Boyd Way (off Mt. Deox) for 47+ years with my husbord. Al pessed away in 2016. One reason I like Giring here is the peace and quiet I have. This will certainly be challenged with the traffic from builing and dirt seemoool. Sound travels down hill right off the mountain. Someone tolking at 83 Mt. Devon will sound like they are in my bockyard. I am very concerned that the quality of our lives will be howgered with this parcel being developed. I have always believed that this property is the Delmaral Preserve in memory of Major Grack De Amaral who lost his life in Viet Mom in 1965. I often sit on his memorial beach and enjoy the percefulness of where I am and ful grateful for his life, his service, and his family gift. I fear that if this property is developed, then many houses will be built. This seems totally against at family donating property as a memorial and then the land ling explorted.

Some, this is very sad and not morally right. Please, don't set a precedent! I am also concerned about emergency vehicles being able to get to their distinctions quickly. During the Sobrard Fire, the fire trucked stopped using Mt. Devon because it is windy and namow. all increased troffic and the Allays could cost a life. During the heavy rains in the early nineties we experienced muddlides from Mt. Devon Kup high) coming down onto properties on the lower part of Mt. Devor. If the lover part of Mt. Devor gets blocked, we have no selit. Removing a huge amount of dirt from a slope could cause more problems. as you are probably aware there is a one-way rection at the beginning of Mt. Devor Hooing leavy dimptrucks traveling up and down nerrow Mt. Devor to a one-way stretch would become a public sofety issue. On this one-way section of Mt. Decon oncoming traffic is obscured. Inoffic coming down Mt. Devox con have a long way to back top to let traffic coming up to pass. Maybe the California Highway Patrol should weigh in on this issue. I do not wort to see the property regoned or slope and set book variances groated. They are in place for a reason.

Ichook - you for hearing my concerns. I love where I are faiturate to line.

Society,

Sugarne Weber Orts Boyd Way Carnel, CA. 93923 (831) 624-5963

My husbond, Al Weber, was on the LUAC committee for many years.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Friday, August 25, 2017 2:51 PM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: My Devon Proposed Project

Please add this comment to the PC packet for Collins.

Thank you,

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From: Ronny Proler [mailto:ronny.proler@gmail.com] Sent: Friday, August 25, 2017 6:33 AM To: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 <QuengaAV@co.monterey.ca.us> Subject: My Devon Proposed Project

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I'm Ronny Proler, my wife Shauna and are Homeowners at 86 Mt Devon. We oppose this project! 1.Rezoning Issues 2.Building on more than 30 degree slopes. 3. The proposed site was set aside and preserved for more than 50 years as an open space memorial . 4. Construction equipment and crews would hinder ingress and egress up and down an already very narrow one lane mountain switchback road stopping potential fire and emergency assistance to persons and property in need of immediate help .5 Massive excavation of Granite could certainly exacerbate landslide and watershed possibly issues to persons and property in lower neighboring areas. PS. Please Don't Let Development Ruin Our Beautiful Mountain!

Ronny & Shauna Proler

--- RP 713.875.7270

From: Sent: To: Subject: Nickerson, Jacquelyn x5240 Monday, August 28, 2017 1:33 PM McDougal, Melissa x5146 RE: Please see attached PDF regarding opposing plan130339/Maj Frank De Amaral Preserve

Ok, please cc me when you send things out to Planning Commissioners.

From: McDougal, Melissa x5146
Sent: Monday, August 28, 2017 12:44 PM
To: Nickerson, Jacquelyn x5240 <NickersonJ@co.monterey.ca.us>
Subject: RE: Please see attached PDF regarding opposing plan130339/Maj Frank De Amaral Preserve

Yes, I have this to be sent the Planning Commissioners today with the stack I have received from this weekend and today.

Thank you,

Melissa McDougal Senior Secretary Monterey County Resource Management Agency 1441 Schilling Place Salinas CA 93901 Direct Line: (831) 755-5146 Fax: (831) 757-9516

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From: Nickerson, Jacquelyn x5240 Sent: Monday, August 28, 2017 11:25 AM To: McDougal, Melissa x5146 <<u>McDougalM@co.monterey.ca.us</u>> Subject: FW: Please see attached PDF regarding opposing plan130339/Maj Frank De Amaral Preserve

Did this get forward to PC? If not, please provide to them.

Thank you.

From: Holm, Carl P. x5103
Sent: Sunday, August 27, 2017 7:07 AM
To: Onciano, Jacqueline x5193 <<u>oncianoj@co.monterey.ca.us</u>>; Swanson, Brandon xx5334
<<u>SwansonB@co.monterey.ca.us</u>>; Quenga, Anna V. x5175 <<u>QuengaAV@co.monterey.ca.us</u>>
Cc: Nickerson, Jacquelyn x5240 <<u>NickersonJ@co.monterey.ca.us</u>>; Strimling, Wendy <<u>strimlingw@co.monterey.ca.us</u>>
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FYI, file, and PC distribution.

There is a question about how land dedicated entirely for open space got sold to a private individual. I know first hand how wording things can lead a new owner to change from what was expected historically (Mo's gas

station and Indian Springs Ranch subdivision), so make sure presentation highlights this side of the story (I do not recall this being part of presentation prep Thursday). Maybe you include this when you are talking about CCC table for BSI properties, conflicting information. PC needs to decide what direction to go, or maybe to allow less area (1 acre). Note when this applicant purchased the property and if there is anything in the title/deed restricting use to open space.

Maybe include a point in the presentation where Wendy can address legal implications: Is there a potential taking in this case if we do not allow the zone change for a SFR, or did the applicant have knowledge of the restriction whereby there should not have been any financial backed expectation? I think county staff has been clear all along that a SFR is not allowed as zoned...right? If not, and staff at gave information they could build a home prior to buying the property, we could have exposure for their costs to design and apply.

From: Califwayoflife <<u>califwayoflife@aol.com</u>> Sent: Saturday, August 26, 2017 8:12 AM To: Mark O'Shea Subject: Please see attached PDF regarding opposing plan130339/Maj Frank De Amaral Preserve

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Monday, August 28, 2017 9:45 AM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: Frank De Amaral Highlands preserve De Amaral land preserve.docx

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Thank you,

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Subject: Frank De Amaral Highlands preserve

Dear Anna Quenga/ or whom it may Concern,

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It is clear that protecting this perpetual memorial is both the legal and moral responsibility of Monterey County. Allowing desire for financial gain, apathy or lack of knowledge to potentially cause the loss of this land is unacceptable. As the land issues are clarified for everyone, I trust that no future attempts will be made to destroy this preserve and that our father's memory will continue to be honored and we may all enjoy the natural beauty of this scenic memorial area.

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Sincerely,

Mary Elizabeth De Amaral

p.s. Please include my letter in the staff report and also confirm receipt of this email. Thank you. (Regarding PLN 130339 & APN is 241-021-007-000)

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Sincerely,

#### Mary Elizabeth De Amaral

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Monday, August 28, 2017 9:46 AM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: PLN-130399 - Request for Procedural Clarification

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Thank you,

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Quenga, Anna V. x5175 <QuengaAV@co.monterey.ca.us>; Gwyn De Amaral (califwayoflife@aol.com)
<califwayoflife@aol.com>
Subject: PLN-130399 - Request for Procedural Clarification

Dear Chairman Rochester:

I am writing to seek clarification regarding the procedures that the Planning Commission intends to follow in attempting to resolve the various factual and legal issues that have arisen with regard to the above application. In particular, I am concerned that the inquiry into the status of the Conservation and Scenic Easement which created the De Amaral Preserve in 1967 will require examination of deeds, statutory materials and other historic documents going back to the late 1960's. In order to make a decision on whether to issue the requested permits, the Planning Commission will have to interpret the easement and, likely, determine the intent of the Monterey County Foundation on Conservation when it drafted its terms. In addition, the Commission will be required to determine whether the purported Notice of Termination issued by a subsequent landowner, in 1990's, complied with the requirements established by the easement's terms.

The nature of the documents and the volume of material potentially involved is such that I would think the Planning Commission might wish to appoint a subcommittee to conduct a preliminary review of the documentation with the expectation that the subcommittee would prepare and submit its recommendations to the full Planning Commission at a later date. You may have other ideas about how best to address these issues, but it does not seem to me that anyone will benefit by a precipitous attempt to resolve the legal and factual issues surrounding the easement during the public hearing presently scheduled for Wednesday.

As I indicated in the email and letter that I sent to the Planning Department (Anna Quenga) last week, and copied to you and the other members of the Planning Commission, I understand the difficulty that the Planning Commission faces in attempting to resolve legal issues that go back 50 years. On behalf of my clients, the De Amaral Family, I am willing to assist the Commission (and its members) by making all of the documentation that we have collected available for

discussion and review and will do so in whatever manner you and the Commission believe is most appropriate. That said, if the objective is to make an informed, factually-correct decision, I do not believe that the Commission will be well served by having the scores of documents and statutory records identified in my letter of August 21<sup>st</sup> introduced at a public hearing without some sort of preliminary review.

Thank you for your consideration.

Gary Fontana



GARY L. FONTANA Attorney at Law

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From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Monday, August 28, 2017 9:48 AM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: Sierra Club opposition to PLN130339 County 8.2017.pdf

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Thank you,

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To: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 <QuengaAV@co.monterey.ca.us>
Cc: Joel Weinstein <joelweinstein@sbcglobal.net>; Rita Dalessio <puffin46@gmail.com>; Gwyn De Amaral
<preservecarmelhighlands@gmail.com>
Subject: Sierra Club opposition to PLN130339

Dear Ms. Quenga,

Please forward the Sierra Club Ventana Chapter letter (attached) to the Planning Commission regarding PLN 130339 (Collins) scheduled for Wednesday, August 30.

Please note that we oppose this project which is proposed for a protected Conservation/Scenic easement in the California Coastal Zone in Carmel.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Best wishes, Rita Dalessio Conservation chair



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County of Monterey Resource Management Agency-Planning Anna V. Quegna, Associate Planner 168 West Alisal Street 2nd Floor Salinas, CA 93901

August 25, 2017

Dear Ms. Quenga,

# Re: PLN130339 (Collins)-Legal Issues Created by 1967 Conservation Easement and De Amaral Preserve

Sierra Club Ventana Chapter represents 7,000 members on the central coast and has been working to protect wildlife, natural resources and habitat in Monterey County since our founding in 1963. We are writing this letter to express our opposition to the application to "RE-ZONE" the Major Frank De Amaral Preserve in Carmel Highlands. This beautiful parkland of Monterey Pine Forest was given to the Monterey County Foundation for Conservation in 1967 by Mr. & Mrs. N.J D'Ambrogia in memory of Major Frank De Amaral who died in combat in the Vietnam War.

The Conservation/Scenic Easement that has been in place for 50 years is quite specific. It was accepted by the Monterey County Board of supervisors on March 3, 1967 and it prohibits any development. The easement deed makes reference to the "<u>natural beauty and</u> <u>existing openness.</u>"

This Scenic California Coastal Resource must be protected. Please DENY the application and protect the 30 acres of its natural, open space land as intended by law for future generations.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely, Joil Weinstein

Joel Weinstein Chapter chair

To explore, enjoy, preserve and protect the nation's forests, waters, wildlife and wilderness

From: Sent: To: Subject: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Friday, August 25, 2017 3:41 PM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: PLN130339

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Thank you,

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Subject: Fwd: PLN130339

**Cc:** Martha V Diehl <<u>mvdiehl@mindspring.com</u>>, <u>vandeverek@co.monterey.ca.us</u>, <u>rochesterd@co.monterey.ca.us</u>, <u>MendezJ@co.monterey.ca.us</u>, <u>ambriza1@co.monterey.ca.us</u>, <u>padillac1@co.monterey.ca.us</u>, <u>getzelmanpc@co.monterey.ca.us</u>, <u>mduflock@gmail.com</u>, <u>amydroberts@gmail.com</u>, <u>hertl1@co.monterey.ca.us</u>

Re: PLN130339/83 Corona Road, Carmel Highlands

Dear Ms. Quenga,

I am a thirty-year resident of Carmel Highlands and have just become aware of the above referenced project at 83 Mt. Devon Road, Carmel Highlands.

I am adamantly opposed to any change of zoning or conservation status. This property should remain protected as open space, as was originally intended by the formation of the Major Frank DeAmaral Preserve, which includes protection of plants and wildlife. Such preserved land is invaluable, and should not be developed. It is important to preserve in perpetuity the special natural qualities of this open space.

I urge the County to protect our open-space land and not make further changes to the beauty and naturalness of Carmel Highlands and Monterey County.

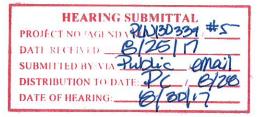
Regards, Michelle Alway 172 Sonoma Lane Carmel Highlands, CA 93923



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County of Monterey Resource Management Agency-Planning Anna V. Quegna, Associate Planner 168 West Alisal Street 2nd Floor Salinas, CA 93901



August 25, 2017

Dear Ms. Quenga,

# Re: PLN130339 (Collins)-Legal Issues Created by 1967 Conservation Easement and De Amaral Preserve

Sierra Club Ventana Chapter represents 7,000 members on the central coast and has been working to protect wildlife, natural resources and habitat in Monterey County since our founding in 1963. We are writing this letter to express our opposition to the application to "RE-ZONE" the Major Frank De Amaral Preserve in Carmel Highlands. This beautiful parkland of Monterey Pine Forest was given to the Monterey County Foundation for Conservation in 1967 by Mr. & Mrs. N.J D'Ambrogia in memory of Major Frank De Amaral who died in combat in the Vietnam War.

The Conservation/Scenic Easement that has been in place for 50 years is quite specific. It was accepted by the Monterey County Board of supervisors on March 3, 1967 and it prohibits any development. The easement deed makes reference to the "<u>natural beauty and</u> <u>existing openness.</u>"

This Scenic California Coastal Resource must be protected. Please DENY the application and protect the 30 acres of its natural, open space land as intended by law for future generations.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely, Weinstein

Joef Weinstein Chapter chair

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From:Quenga, Anna V. x5175Sent:Tuesday, August 29, 2017 12:39 PMTo:McDougal, Melissa x5146Subject:FW: Proposed change of Conservation &Scenic Deed from 1967 [83 Mount Devon Road (<br/>APN 241-021-007-000)] // 130339Attachments:MAJ Frank De Amaral Preserve Mem Plaque 2.jpg

Please add this to the PC comments for Collins.

Thank you,

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Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 12:13 PM

To: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 <QuengaAV@co.monterey.ca.us>; ceqacomments <ceqacomments@co.monterey.ca.us> Cc: Gwyn De Amaral <califwayoflife@aol.com>; Meghan De Amaral <meghdeamaral@gmail.com>; Frank and Martha De Amaral <madfd@suddenlink.net>; M'Liz De Amaral <mdeamaral@hotmail.com>

Subject: Fw: Proposed change of Conservation & Scenic Deed from 1967 [83 Mount Devon Road (APN 241-021-007-000)] // 130339

Ms. Quenga,

I understand that a hearing is set regarding the recent land scheme. I want to strongly reaffirm my opposition to the effort to misuse the land in the Carmel Highlands donated by the D'Ambrogio's in the late 1960s as a "perpetual memorial" to my father who was killed in Vietnam as indicated in my previous email (28 APR 2017)

The land in question would have long ago been sold and developed had this been the intent, or a legal option to others, over the past in the fifty years. It was/is disappointing that someone is even attempting this dishonest/illegal effort. While this memorial could never offset the loss of my father it does bring some amount of comfort to me and others. I hope/trust that justice will prevail.

Monterey County Supervisor ,District 4 Jane Parker Mayor Steve Dallas, Carmel Ca Monterey County Military Affairs - 1000 S Main St # 107, Salinas, CA 93901 Carl Holm, Acting Director Monterey County Resource Management



From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 Tuesday, August 29, 2017 2:50 PM McDougal, Melissa x5146 FW: Re Frank De Amaral Preserve Frank DeAmaral.pdf

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Please add these comments to the Collins project.

Thanks,

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From: Maura V. Kelley [mailto:maurakelley@gmail.com] Sent: Tuesday, August 29, 2017 2:34 PM To: Quenga, Anna V. x5175 <QuengaAV@co.monterey.ca.us> Cc: Rochester, Don <RochesterD@co.monterey.ca.us>; Mendez, Jose <MendezJ@co.monterey.ca.us>; Ana Abbriz <ambrizana@gmail.com>; Padilla, Cosme <PadillaC1@co.monterey.ca.us>; Getzelman, Paul C. <GetzelmanPC@co.monterey.ca.us>; Melissa Duflock <mduflock@gmail.com>; Amy D. Roberts <amydroberts@gmail.com>; Hert, Luther <HertL1@co.monterey.ca.us>; Vandevere, Keith <VandevereK@co.monterey.ca.us>; Martha Diehl <mvdiehl@mindspring.com> Subject: Re Frank De Amaral Preserve

I submit the attached letter on behalf of my mother, Mary W. Kelley.

On a personal note, while Major De Amaral died in Vietnam long before I was born, my father never missed an opportunity to share a "Frankie" story.

A bit of history: My father (Richard Kelley) and grandmother moved to Carmel-by-the-Sea while my grandfather was stationed at Fort Ord. During the Pacific Theater, Frankie and the entire De Amaral family took my father and grandmother under their wing while my grandfather served overseas. As an only child, my father was treated as another member of the De Amaral family and considered Frankie the closest thing he had to a brother.

After the war, the Kelleys returned to New York. Dad developed polio in the fall of 1948 and as the son of a decorated Army general, was devastated to not be able to attend West Point and serve. Although they were divided by geography, Frankie and Dad continued to be great friends. Without a doubt, I know that Dad looked to Frankie as his own personal hero. Frankie was the California rancher-cowboy and soldier my New Yorker father always wanted to become. Frankie's tragic death in 1965 affected my father in a profound way. (My Mom never fails to remind us, not the birth of any of his five kids but, that only Frankie's death could make Dad cry.)

Throughout my life, Dad would share stories about Frankie and the De Amaral family. The stories of the De Amaral legacy in the Highlands and Frankie's service and dedication to this land should be memorialized in more than just our families shared memories. This land donation was not ever intended for residential or commercial development but to honor the memory of a man, for the public to enjoy (the way Frankie did) for generations to come.

I strongly urge the commission to deny this permit, and recommit to keeping the Frank De Amaral Preserve in the spirit with which this donation was originally made.

Thank you, Maura V. Kelley

p.s. - I ask that both my mother's letter and my note be be part of the documents presented for the hearing tonight. We wish we could be there but my mother is 83 and her current health makes it difficult to make the journey down from the Bay Area.

Also if you would be so kind to, please confirm receipt of this email. I would greatly appreciate it.

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Maura V. Kelley (925) 270-9987 Re: Frank DeAmaral Preserve

This 30-acre parcel of land given as a donation to the people of Monterey County is a beautiful and lasting memento for a fellow citizen who gave his life for this country.

My name is Mary Kelley and I knew Frank when we were young and hopeful. I first met Frank while we were newlyweds (back in the 50's!) My husband, Richard (Dick) Kelley, grew up in Carmel and Frank DeAmaral was his childhood best friend. Growing up in the Highlands, Frank and Dick would roam the hills as young kids do. All who knew Frank, knew him as an avid outdoorsman; he was hunter and fisherman and would ride his horse all over this land.

To now turn this beautiful land into what amounts to a moneymaking scheme is a slur on the good people of Monterey and the memory of a man who stood tall when his country needed him.

Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration on this matter.

Mary W. Kelley

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Thank you for your letter regarding the proposed project in the Carmel Highlands located at 83 Mt. Devon Road, (PLN 130339).

Your father, Frank De Amaral, grew up in the Carmel Highlands and he later served as a Major in the United States Army. In 1965, Major Frank De Amaral died in service to our country during the Vietnam War. I am grateful for the sacrifice given by your father in service to our nation.

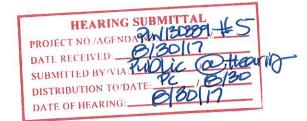
As a young man, Frank De Amaral enjoyed riding his horse through the Carmel Highlands. Mr.& Mrs. N.J. D'Ambrogia donated the 30 acre property located at 83 Mt. Devon Road to the Monterey County Foundation of Conservation and the property was held in a Scenic Conservation easement by the Monterey County Foundation of Conservation. Mr. & Mrs. N.J. D'Ambrogia intended for the land to stand as an enduring monument to the memory of Major Frank De Amaral. Your efforts to protect the land your father loved and enjoyed as a young man are understandable and honorable. I support the your efforts to honor the intention of the D'Ambrogia's to preserve this 30 acre parcel as open space as a way to recognize the legacy and sacrifice of Major Frank De Amaral in perpetuity.

Unfortunately, while my office has no jurisdiction over local land use issues, I am deeply grateful for the service performed by your father. If you do need anything else, please feel free to reach out to me in the future.

Sincerel Panetta Member of Congress

To:

County of Monterey Resource Management Agency Planning ATTN: Anna V. Quenga, Associate Planner



#### RE: PLN 130339 Collins

To understand one aspect of my opposition to the referenced plan, it is necessary to review some of the history of the Carmel Highlands. The Highlands was initially developed by Frank Devondorf beginning in 1915. He hired a young employee, Frank De Amaral, Sr., who went to work for him at age 16 in 1916. He planted trees and worked on building roads by blazing the route through the chaparral with and axe after which De Amaral brought up the horses and the grader and went to work. He told young De Amaral not to take out Toyon bushes. De Amaral reminisced that, "There are a lot of roads in the Highlands curved around toyon bushes." *Creating Carmel* by Harold and Ann Gilliam, Edwards Brothers, Inc., 1966. Later, Frank, Sr. operated a business, bulldozing many, if not most of the building sites in the Highlands. He raised his family there, and his family is one of the earliest families with members still in in Highlands.

Major Frank De Amaral, Jr., an Army pilot, was killed in Viet Nam in 1965 and Mr. N.J. D'Ambrogio, who owned property in the Highlands donated thirty across of land to the Monterey County Foundation for Conservation and the Foundation conveyed a scenic easement deed to Monterey County which was accepted by resolution of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors, Resolution No. 67-73, February 28, 1967. The terms of the easement provides that no structures of any kind shall be placed or erected upon the premises except structures, lines and other facilities necessary to maintain water, drainage or sewer system, utilities consisting of telephone, power and cable television lines, and utility roads necessary. (The information in this paragraph is derived from the letter submitted to your office by the Law Offices of Gary 1. Fontana dated August 7, 2017, as is some of the further material.)

The Foundation was later dissolved in 1984 and in 1977 the Foundation transferred ownership of the 30 acres to the BSI Foundation. The BSI Foundation deeded the land to Walter and Loretta Warren in 1989. In 1990 the Warrens filed a Notice of Termination of Conservation and Scenic Easement Deed based upon their interpretation of the provisions of the deed which provided for tax advantages if subsequent state law provisions changed the rules relative to property subject to conservation and scenic easements.

The Warrens simply filed the document. They did not have title to the easement. Only Monterey County had title to it. Many of us have easements which allow us access to other persons property. I have an easement which permits the placement of my driveway partly on my next door neighbor's land. My other next door neighbor has an easement which allows their driveway to share the same property as my driveway which is on my land. I cannot revoke my neighbor's easement across my land nor can my other neighbor revoke my easement across his land. The person or organization with the title to the easement is the only party who may revoke it. The scenic easement to the land contained in the De Amaral Preserve is owned by Monterey County, and the county has not revoked it. Consequently it is still in force.

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Should Monterey County choose to revoke the easement, it would do two things. First, it would despoil the intent of the memorial gift to a member of one of the founding families of Carmel Highlands who died fighting for the United States. Second, it would cause significant problems for the residents who use Mt. Devon Road on a regular basis.

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Mt. Devon Road, as well as several other roads in the Highlands, is among those which were probably excavated by Frank De Amaral, Sr., going around toyon bushes, redwood trees and pine trees on steep slopes. In consequence, several stretches of Mt. Devon Road are actually one way streets for the car with the right-of-way. There are several places in the road in which the descending vehicle must back up in order to let an ascending vehicle pass. We are all familiar with where the next driveway above us or wide spot in the road will allow us to back into it so one of our neighbors can pass. The Collins property where the building site is planned will require a huge excavation in order to complete the building which will entail the use of dump trucks and other large equipment which will inconvenience the residents and likely cause damage to the roads which are rather fragile. The roads are the property of the county, which acquired them prior to the imposition of requirements for the quality of roads for which it assumes responsibility.

I rather doubt that the Collins can claim any lack of notice that there were problems with the nature of the title they purchased for the land in the De Amaral Preserve. Any good title search should have raised questions about the self-serving revocation of easement filed by the Warrens. It isn't clear whether they paid for the property and they sold it for a low price, but filing the revocation was probably their only chance to sell it at all. The buyers, the Kakis Family revocable Trust, sold it for little more three months after purchasing it. Perhaps the second sale was an attempt to give more credence to the title.

Accordingly, I urge you to deny the building permit titled PLN130339 Collins.

Sincerely,

Charlotte Boyd Hallam 135 Boyd Way Carmel, CA 93923

# Quenga, Anna V. x5175

From: Sent:	Meghan De Amaral <meghdeamaral@gmail.com> Tuesday, August 29, 2017 7:06 PM</meghdeamaral@gmail.com>
То:	ceqacomments
Cc:	Gwyn De Amaral; Zane De Amaral; Madi De amaral; MLiz De Amaral; Quenga, Anna V. x5175
Subject:	Re: Proposed change of Conservation & Scenic Deed from 1967

Ms. Quenga,

I am writing in regards to the upcoming hearing scheduled to evaluate the attempt to defraud the land that was established as a perpetual memorial to my grandfather. It is my deepest regret that I will not be able to attend this hearing, as -- in the spirit of service that my grandfather so evidently embodied in his willingness to lay down his life for our county -- I am currently contributing to response and recovery following Hurricane Harvey, one of the most devastating natural disasters to occur in the United States in several years.

As I will be unable to have a physical presence at the hearing, I therefore request that this correspondence be reflected in the proceedings, as I expound previous points that, quite frankly, I thought would be obvious to those seeking to manipulate a memorial for personal gain and those facilitating this effort.

Land has always been a valuable commodity, and therein lies the crux of this issue. A parcel of land donated in 1967 is no more up for sale now than 10, 20, 30, or 50 years ago. While it has increased in material worth, it has also increased in sentimental value, and its purpose as a memorial has been multiplied times over as generations of the De Amaral family have had a piece of earth to reflect a piece of us. As stated in my previous correspondence, I never had the simple joy of knowing my grandfather, and for a stranger to so boldly lay claim to a physical testament of my heritage and so many other is appalling.

Moreover, this attempt to develop land plainly and clearly established as a perpetual memorial is blatantly illegal. In case the Board of Monterey County Supervisors was unclear, the establishment of such a memorial -- whether a statue, a park, land, or any combination of the above, denoted or not by a mysteriously absent plaque -- is inherently established **now and forever**. I am confident that the Board will note this grave misunderstanding and the necessary steps to remedy this illegal proposal by the Applicant will be pursued in a timely manner.

It is also my hope that this issue be resolved -- like this land given in my grandfather's memory -- perpetually. Should a similar attempt to violate the conditions of this acreage's Deed manifest in the future, I will not hesitate to rightfully dispute and disprove any Applicants **now and forever**. The Applicant, the Board, and all those who would intend otherwise should realize that this matter is not merely sentimental; it is flatly illegal.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should I be able to offer any other insight on the De Amaral memorial land. Thank you for your time and care; please also be sure to include me directly on further correspondence, materials, etc. moving forward.

Sincerely,

Meghan De Amaral

On Fri, Apr 28, 2017 at 1:44 PM, Meghan De Amaral <<u>meghdeamaral@gmail.com</u>> wrote:

Ms. Quenga/To Whom it may Concern,

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I am writing in regards to the illegally proposed project at 83 Mount Devon Road (APN 241-021-007-000), against which I am vehemently opposed. As you have been made aware, the current parcel usage was **unanimously** approved by the entire Board of Monterey County Supervisors on February 28, 1967 as a **Conservation and Scenic Easement** and recorded with a **Conservation and Scenic Easement Deed** that dates back to March 3, 1967. I believe my uncle, Gwyn De Amaral, has sent the appropriate documentation. The Applicant was also made aware of these conditions by Gywn De Amaral shortly after the purchase of the property. The filed deed has specific restrictions regarding use and Public Access to the property, and the project proposal *violates all conditions* of the recorded Deed.

The parcel was a gift to the Monterey County Foundation For Conservation (a non-profit corporation) in memory of my grandfather, Major. Frank De Amaral, who was killed in the Vietnam War while serving in the United States Army in 1965. Major Frank De Amaral grew up in the Carmel Highlands and as a child rode his horse on this acreage. The purpose of this Conservation and Scenic Easement was a binding protection to preserve the natural scenic beauty and existing openness -- an intent with which your proposal directly and intentionally conflicts.

My grandfather's military service also inspired that of my father, and having grown up in a military family, I have a loose sense of the word "home," of the places I have been, only Carmel has a piece of my family history -- generations' worth. While I never had the opportunity to meet my grandfather, his dedication and service to both the Monterey County community and our nation is meritorious of respect to the place he called home. To say I am appalled that such a proposal has been submitted is an understatement. I trust that you will evaluate the implications of such a proposal, and I look forward to a swift resolution based on a reconsideration and/or relocation of the project.

Respectfully,

Meghan De Amaral

Meghan De Amaral

Achiever | Communication | Individualization | Relator | Learner

## Quenga, Anna V. x5175

From: Sent: To: Subject:

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DM Yan <dmyan1828@gmail.com> Tuesday, August 29, 2017 9:06 PM Quenga, Anna V. x5175 PLN130339

Dear Anna,

We are still out of town but feel compelled to send you this short last minute email prior to the hearing tomorrow. We must regretfully concur with our fellow neighbors in voicing our opposition to the approval of the Combined Development Permit for 83 Mt Devon Road.

With the environmentally sensitive nature of the neighborhood, the many areas of unstable soil and steep slopes, besides the many potholes already scattered all over Fern Canyon and Mount Devon, the last thing we need is more heavy trucks trafficking these roads and massive excavations to push this currently zoned "Resource Conservation" area beyond its limit. The increasingly frequent wildfires, unpredictable droughts and floods, with Houston being the most poignant and recent reminder, should serve to remind us of the heavy price we have to pay for our foolish defiance of Mother Nature.

Most of the Highlands residents chose to live here and not closer to the city, precisely because we treasure and value preservation of nature. We hope the Board of Supervisors will see the wisdom in fulfilling its duty as guardian of our precious environment!

Respectfully,

Donald & Marion Yan

Sent from my iPad

# MONTEREY COUNTY RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AGENCY Carl P. Holm, AICP, Director



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# **MEMORANDUM**

Date: August 29, 2017

To: Monterey County Planning Commission

From: Anna V. Quenga, Associate Planner

Subject: PLN130339 Collins Agenda Item No. 5 - Errata to Staff Report

cc: File

Please accept this errata memo outlining proposed changes to the August 30, 2017 Planning Commission staff report.

<u>Revision 1 – Exhibit C (Resolution)</u>: The following clerical typos shall be fixed in the Resolution:

**Finding 4, Evidence "f,"** last sentence should read as: On December 21, 1990, the <u>previous</u> current owner of the property, Walter and Loretta Warren file a Notice of <u>Termination of</u> Conservation and Scenic Easement Deed (recorded on Reel 2590 Page 780 of the Official Records of Monterey County) pursuant to Article 7 of the deed based upon enactment of the California Coastal Act as the "qualifying legislations.

**Finding 9, Evidence "w,"** first sentence should read as: <u>Comments state that</u> mitigation measures to reduce impacts to ESHA and development on slopes in excess of 30% do not provide consistency with CAR LUP, stating that <u>and</u> staff should not "assume that the protections for such areas that are embodied in the CIP and the Land Use Plan can be overridden by a handful of mitigation measure(s)."

## Item 2 of the Decision shall read as:

2) Adopt a resolution of intent to approve <u>Recommend the Board of Supervisors</u> adopt the Local Coastal Program Amendment to rezone the property from the Resource Conservation, Coastal Zone ["RC(CZ)"] zoning classification to the Watershed and Scenic Conservation, Special Treatment, Coastal Zone ["WSC/SpTr(CZ)"] zoning classification <u>(Ordinance attached as</u> <u>Attachment 1)</u>;

<u>Revision 2 – Attachment 2 of Exhibit C (Conditions of Approval)</u>: The revised conditions of approval, as attached, includes and new Condition No. 32 and a modified Condition No. 4.

**Condition No. 32** addresses the effective date of the Combined Development Permit. It clarifies that development permit shall not be effective until the subject property has been reclassified to Watershed and Scenic Conservation, Special Treatment, Coastal Zone.

**Condition No. 4** includes a modified timing requirement for filing of the Indemnification agreement. The previous language requires the applicant to file the agreement prior to issuance of building permits. This condition has been modified to clarify that it becomes effective upon approval of the Combined Development Permit and consideration of the rezone. Timing has been modified to require filing of the agreement within 30-days of approval by the Planning Commission.

# Monterey County RMA Planning

## DRAFT Conditions of Approval/Implementation Plan/Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan

PLN130339

## 1. PD001 - SPECIFIC USES ONLY

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation This Combined Development Permit (PLN130339) allows: 1) Coastal Administrative **Monitoring Measure:** Permit and Design Approval to allow the construction of a 2,397 square foot single family dwelling; 2) Coastal Administrative Permit to allow the establishment of a new well; 3) a Coastal Development Permit to allow the removal of one 14-inch and one 18-inch Monterey Pine tree; and 4) Coastal Development Permit to allow development on slopes in excess of 30%. Approval of this permit shall not go into effect until zoning on the property is reclassified to Watershed and Scenic Conservation, Coastal Zone. The property is located at 83 Mt Devon Road, Carmel (Assessor's Parcel Number 241-021-007-000), Carmel Area Land Use Plan, Coastal Zone. This permit was approved in accordance with County ordinances and land use regulations subject to the terms and conditions described in the project file. Neither the uses nor the construction allowed by this permit shall commence unless and until all of the conditions of this permit are met to the satisfaction of the Director of the RMA -Planning Department. Any use or construction not in substantial conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit is a violation of County regulations and may result in modification or revocation of this permit and subsequent legal action. No use or construction other than that specified by this permit is allowed unless additional permits are approved by the appropriate authorities. To the extent that the County has delegated any condition compliance or mitigation monitoring to the Monterey County Water Resources Agency, the Water Resources Agency shall provide all information requested by the County and the County shall bear ultimate responsibility to ensure that conditions and mitigation measures are properly fulfilled. (RMA - Planning Department)

Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed: Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed:

## 2. PD002 - NOTICE PERMIT APPROVAL

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation The applicant shall record a Permit Approval Notice. This notice shall state:

"A Combined Development Permit (Resolution Number \*\*\*) was approved by the Planning Commission for Assessor's Parcel Number 241-021-007-000 on August 30, 2017. The permit was granted subject to 32 conditions of approval which run with the land. A copy of the permit is on file with the Monterey County RMA - Planning Department."

Proof of recordation of this notice shall be furnished to the Director of the RMA -Planning Department prior to issuance of building permits or commencement of the use.

(RMA - Planning Department)

Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed: Subsequent to approval of the Local Coastal Program amendment and zoning reclassification of the property to Watershed and Scenic Conservation, Special Treatment, Coastal Zone ["WSC/SpTr(CZ)"] and prior to the issuance of grading and building permits or commencement of use, the Owner/Applicant shall provide proof of recordation of this notice to the RMA - Planning Department.

## 3. PD003(A) - CULTURAL RESOURCES NEGATIVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL REPORT

## Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation lf. during the course of construction, cultural. archaeological, historical or **Monitoring Measure:** paleontological resources are uncovered at the site (surface or subsurface resources) work shall be halted immediately within 50 meters (165 feet) of the find until a gualified The Monterey County RMA - Planning professional archaeologist can evaluate it. Department and a qualified archaeologist (i.e., an archaeologist registered with the Register of Professional Archaeologists) shall be immediately contacted by the responsible individual present on-site. When contacted, the project planner and the archaeologist shall immediately visit the site to determine the extent of the resources and to develop proper mitigation measures required for recovery. (RMA - Planning Department)

**Compliance or** The Owner/Applicant shall adhere to this condition on an on-going basis.

Action to be Performed:

Prior to the issuance of grading or building permits and/or prior to the recordation of the final/parcel map, whichever occurs first, the Owner/Applicant shall include requirements of this condition as a note on all grading and building plans. The note shall state "Stop work within 50 meters (165 feet) of uncovered resource and contact

the Monterey County RMA - Planning Department and a qualified archaeologist immediately if cultural, archaeological, historical or paleontological resources are uncovered." When contacted, the project planner and the archaeologist shall immediately visit the site to determine the extent of the resources and to develop proper mitigation measures required for the discovery.

## 4. PD004 - INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation The property owner agrees as a condition and in consideration of approval of this Monitoring Measure: discretionary development permit that it will, pursuant to agreement and/or statutory provisions as applicable, including but not limited to Government Code Section 66474.9, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the County of Monterey or its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding against the County or its agents, officers or employees to attack, set aside, void or annul this approval, which action is brought within the time period provided for under law, including but not limited to, Government Code Section 66499.37, as applicable. The property owner will reimburse the County for any court costs and attorney's fees which the County may be required by a court to pay as a result of such action. The County may, at its sole discretion, participate in the defense of such action; but such participation shall not relieve applicant of his/her/its obligations under this condition. An agreement to this effect shall be recorded upon demand of County Counsel or concurrent with the issuance of building permits, use of property, filing of the final map, recordation of the certificates of compliance whichever occurs first and as applicable. The County shall promptly notify the property owner of any such claim, action or proceeding and the County shall cooperate fully in the defense thereof. If the County fails to promptly notify the property owner of any such claim, action or proceeding or fails to cooperate fully in the defense thereof, the property owner shall not thereafter be responsible to defend, indemnify or hold the County harmless. This condition shall take effect upon approval of the Combined Development Permit, including during consideration of the rezone.

(RMA - Planning Department)

Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed: This condition shall take effect upon approval of the Combined Development Permit, including during consideration of the rezone. Within 30-days of approval by the Planning Commission, the Owner/Applicant shall submit a signed and notarized Indemnification Agreement to the Director of RMA-Planning Department for review and signature by the County, execute the agreement, and submit proof of recordation of the Indemnification Agreement to the RMA-Planning Department.

#### 5. PD005 - FISH & GAME FEE NEG DEC/EIR

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: Pursuant to the State Public Resources Code Section 753.5, State Fish and Game Code, and California Code of Regulations, the applicant shall pay a fee, to be collected by the County, within five (5) working days of project approval. This fee shall be paid before the Notice of Determination is filed. If the fee is not paid within five (5) working days, the project shall not be operative, vested or final until the filing fees are paid. (RMA - Planning)

Compliance or Within five (5) working days of project approval, the Owner/Applicant shall submit a Monitoring check, payable to the County of Monterey, to the Director of RMA - Planning.

If the fee is not paid within five (5) working days, the applicant shall submit a check, payable to the County of Monterey, to the Director of RMA - Planning prior to the recordation of the final/parcel map, the start of use, or the issuance of building permits or grading permits.

## 6. PD006 - CONDITION OF APPROVAL / MITIGATION MONITORING PLAN

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: The applicant shall enter into an agreement with the County to implement a Condition of Approval/Mitigation Monitoring and/or Reporting Plan (Agreement) in accordance with Section 21081.6 of the California Public Resources Code and Section 15097 of Title 14, Chapter 3 of the California Code of Regulations. Compliance with the fee schedule adopted by the Board of Supervisors for mitigation monitoring shall be required and payment made to the County of Monterey at the time the property owner submits the signed Agreement. The agreement shall be recorded. (RMA - Planning)

Compliance or Within sixty (60) days after project approval or prior to the issuance of building and Monitoring Grading permits, whichever occurs first, the Owner/Applicant shall:

1) Enter into an agreement with the County to implement a Condition of Approval/Mitigation Monitoring Plan.

2) Fees shall be submitted at the time the property owner submits the signed Agreement.

3) Proof of recordation of the Agreement shall be submitted to RMA-Planning.

## 7. PD011(A) - TREE REMOVAL

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning Condition/Mitigation Tree removal shall not occur until a construction permit has been issued in **Monitoring Measure:** conformance with the appropriate stage or phase of development in this permit. Only those trees approved for removal shall be removed. (RMA-Planning) Compliance or Prior to tree removal. the Owner/ Applicant/ Tree Removal Contractor shall Monitorina demonstrate that a construction permit has been issued prior to commencement of Action to be Performed: tree removal.

### 8. PD012(D) - LANDSCAPE PLAN & MAINTENANCE (MPWMD-SFD ONLY)

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation The site shall be landscaped. Prior to the issuance of building permits, three (3) Monitoring Measure: copies of a landscaping plan shall be submitted to the Director of RMA - Planning . A landscape plan review fee is required for this project. Fees shall be paid at the time of The landscaping plan shall be in sufficient detail to identify landscape plan submittal. the location, species, and size of the proposed landscaping materials and shall include The plan shall be accompanied by a nursery or contractor's an irrigation plan. estimate of the cost of installation of the plan. Before occupancy, landscaping shall be either installed or a certificate of deposit or other form of surety made payable to Monterey County for that cost estimate shall be submitted to the Monterey County RMA - Planning. All landscaped areas and fences shall be continuously maintained by the applicant; all plant material shall be continuously maintained in a litter-free, weed-free, healthy, growing condition. (RMA - Planning)

Compliance or Prior to issuance building permits, Owner/Applicant/Licensed of the Landscape Monitoring Contractor/Licensed Landscape Architect shall submit landscape plans and Action to be Performed: contractor's estimate to RMA - Planning for review and approval. Landscaping plans shall include the recommendations from the Forest Management Plan or Biological Survey as applicable. All landscape plans shall be signed and stamped by licensed professional under the following statement, "I certify that this landscaping and irrigation plan complies with all Monterey County landscaping requirements including use of native, drought-tolerant, non-invasive species; limited turf; and low-flow, water conserving irrigation fixtures."

> Prior to issuance of building permits, the Owner/Applicant/Licensed Landscape Contractor/Licensed Landscape Architect shall submit one (1) set landscape plans of RMA-Planning, Maximum Applied Water Allowance approved by а (MAWA) calculation, and a completed "Residential Water Release Form and Water Permit Application" to the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District for review and approval.

> Prior to issuance of building permits, the Owner/Applicant/Licensed Landscape Contractor/ shall submit an approved water permit from the MPWMD to RMA-Building Services.

Prior to occupancy, the Owner/Applicant/Licensed Landscape Contractor/Licensed Landscape Architect shall ensure that the landscaping shall be either installed or a certificate of deposit or other form of surety made payable to Monterey County for that cost estimate shall be submitted to Monterey County RMA - Planning.

On an on-going basis, all landscaped areas and fences shall be continuously maintained by the Owner/Applicant; all plant material shall be continuously maintained in a litter-free, weed-free, healthy, growing condition.

## 9. PD014(A) - LIGHTING - EXTERIOR LIGHTING PLAN

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: All exterior lighting shall be unobtrusive, down-lit, harmonious with the local area, and constructed or located so that only the intended area is illuminated and off-site glare is fully controlled. The lighting source shall be shielded and recessed into the fixture. Exterior windows on the structure shall be designed to allow a lower visual transmittance of light. The applicant shall submit three (3) copies of an exterior lighting plan which shall indicate the location, type, and wattage of all light fixtures and include catalog sheets for each fixture as well as exterior window information meeting the requirements of this condition. The lighting shall comply with the requirements of the California Energy Code set forth in California Code of Regulations Title 24 Part 6. The exterior lighting plan shall be subject to approval by the Director of RMA - Planning, prior to the issuance of building permits. (RMA - Planning)

Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed: Prior to the issuance of building permits, the Owner/Applicant shall submit three copies of the lighting plans to RMA - Planning for review and approval. Approved lighting plans shall be incorporated into final building plans.

Prior to final/occupancy, the Owner/Applicant/Contractor shall submit written and photographic evidence demonstrating that the lighting has been installed according to the approved plan.

On an on-going basis, the Owner/Applicant shall ensure that the lighting is installed and maintained in accordance with the approved plan.

#### 10. PD048 - TREE REPLACEMENT/RELOCATION

Responsible Department:	RMA-Planning
Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure:	<ul> <li>Within 60 days of permit approval, the applicant shall replace and or relocate each tree approved for removal as follows:</li> <li>Replacement ratio: 1 to 1</li> <li>Replacement tree(s) shall be located within the same general location as the tree being removed. (RMA - Planning)</li> </ul>
Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed:	The Owner/Applicant shall submit evidence of tree replacement to RMA-Planning for review and approval. Evidence shall be a receipt for the purchase of the replacement tree(s) and photos of the replacement tree(s) being planted.
	Six months after the planting of the replacement tree(s), the Owner/Applicant shall submit evidence demonstrating that the replacement tree(s) are in a healthy, growing condition.
	One year after the planting of the replacement tree(s), the Owner/Applicant shall submit a letter prepared by a County-approved tree consultant reporting on the health of the replacement tree(s) and whether or not the tree replacement was successful or if follow-up remediation measures or additional permits are required.

## 11. PD049 - TREE AND ROOT PROTECTION

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: Prior to beginning any tree removal, trees which are located close to trees approved for removal shall be protected from inadvertent damage from equipment or tree removal activity by fencing off the canopy drip-lines and/or critical root zones (whichever is greater) with protective materials. Any tree protection measures recommended by a County-approved tree consultant, in addition to the standard condition, shall be implemented. (RMA - Planning)

Compliance or Prior to construction or tree removal, the Owner/Applicant/Tree Removal Contractor Monitoring Action to be Performed: submit evidence of tree protection to RMA-Planning for review and approval.

After construction or tree removal, the Owner/Applicant/Tree Removal Contractor shall submit photos of the trees on the property to RMA-Planning to document that the tree protection has been successful or if follow-up remediation measures or additional permits are required.

## 12. PD050 - RAPTOR/MIGRATORY BIRD NESTING

#### Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure:	Any tree removal activity that occurs during the typical bird nesting season (February
	22-August 1), the County of Monterey shall require that the project applicant retain a
	County qualified biologist to perform a nest survey in order to determine if any active
	raptor or migratory bird nests occur within the project site or within 300 feet of
	proposed tree removal activity. During the typical nesting season, the survey shall be
	conducted no more than 30 days prior to ground disturbance or tree removal. If
	nesting birds are found on the project site, an appropriate buffer plan shall be
	established by the project biologist. (RMA - Planning)

Compliance or 30 days No more than prior to ground disturbance or tree removal. the Monitoring Owner/Applicant/Tree Removal Contractor shall submit to RMA-Planning а nest Action to be Performed: survey prepare by a County qualified biologist to determine if any active raptor or migratory bird nests occur within the project site or immediate vicinity.

#### 13. EROSION CONTROL PLAN

Responsible Department: Environmental Services

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: The applicant shall submit an erosion control plan in conformance with the requirements of Monterey County Code Chapter 16.12. The erosion control plan shall include: a construction entrance, concrete washout, stockpile area(s), material storage area(s), portable sanitation facilities and waste collection area(s), as applicable. (RMA-Environmental Services)

Compliance or Prior to issuance of any grading or building permits, the applicant shall submit an Monitoring Erosion Control Plan to RMA-Environmental Services for review and approval.

## 14. GEOTECHNICAL CERTIFICATION

**Responsible Department:** Environmental Services

**Condition/Mitigation** Monitoring Measure: The applicant shall provide certification from a licensed practitioner that all development has been constructed in accordance with the recommendations in the project Geotechnical Engineering Report. (RMA- Environmental Services)

Compliance or Prior to final inspection, the owner/applicant shall submit a letter to Monitoring Action to be Performed:

#### 15. GRADING PLAN

Responsible Department: Environmental Services

Condition/Mitigation The applicant shall submit a grading plan incorporating the recommendations in the **Monitoring Measure:** project Geotechnical Engineering Report prepared by Beacon Geotechnical, Inc. The grading plan shall also address face of structure setbacks from slopes, the requirements of Monterey County Code Chapter 16.08, the geotechnical and inspection schedule shall be included on the plan. The applicant shall provide certification from the licensed practitioner that the grading plan incorporates their geotechnical recommendations. (RMA-Environmental Services)

Compliance or Prior to issuance of any grading or building permits, the applicant shall submit a Monitoring grading plan to RMA-Environmental Services for review and approval.

Prior to issuance of any grading or building permits, the applicant shall submit certification from a licensed practitioner that they have reviewed the grading plan for conformance with the geotechnical recommendations.

## 16. INSPECTION-PRIOR TO LAND DISTURBANCE

Responsible Department: Environmental Services

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: The applicant shall schedule an inspection with RMA-Environmental Services to ensure all necessary sediment controls are in place and the project is compliant with Monterey County regulations. This inspection requirement shall be noted on the Erosion Control Plan. (RMA – Environmental Services)

Compliance or Prior to commencement of any land disturbance, the owner/applicant shall schedule Monitoring Action to be Performed:

## **17. INSPECTION-DURING ACTIVE CONSTRUCTION**

Responsible Department: Environmental Services

Condition/Mitigation The applicant shall schedule an inspection with RMA-Environmental Services to Monitoring Measure: inspect drainage device installation, review the maintenance and effectiveness of BMPs installed, and to verify that pollutants of concern are not discharged from the At the time of the inspection, the applicant shall provide certification that all site. necessary geotechnical inspections have been completed to that point. This inspection requirement shall be noted on the Erosion Control Plan.(RMA **Environmental Services**)

Compliance or During construction, the applicant shall schedule an inspection with Monitoring Action to be Performed:

## **18. INSPECTION-FOLLOWING ACTIVE CONSTRUCTION**

Responsible Department: Environmental Services

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: The applicant shall schedule an inspection with RMA-Environmental Services to ensure all disturbed areas have been stabilized and all temporary erosion and sediment control measures that are no longer needed have been removed. This inspection requirement shall be noted on the Erosion Control Plan. (RMA – Environmental Services)

Compliance or Prior to final inspection, the owner/applicant shall schedule an inspection with Monitoring Action to be Performed:

#### 19. PW0005 - ENCROACHMENT (STD DRIVEWAY)

Responsible Department:	RMA-Public Works
Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure:	Obtain an encroachment permit from the Department of Public Works and construct a standard driveway connection to Mt. Devon Road.
Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed:	Prior to Building/Grading Permits Issuance, Owner/Applicant shall obtain an encroachment permit from DPW prior to issuance of building permits and complete improvement prior to occupancy or commencement of use. Applicant is responsible in obtaining all permits and environmental clearances.

## 20. PW0043 - REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEE

Responsible Department:	RMA-Public Works
Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure:	Prior to issuance of building permits, applicant shall pay the Regional Development Impact Fee
	(RDIF) pursuant to Monterey Code Chapter 12.90. The fee amount shall be determined based on the parameters adopted in the current fee schedule.
Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed:	Prior to issuance of Building Permits Owner/Applicant shall pay Monterey County Building Services Department the traffic mitigation fee. Owner/Applicant shall submit proof of payment to the DPW.

## 21. PW0044 - CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PLAN

Responsible Department: RMA-Public Works

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure:	The applicant shall submit a Construction Management Plan (CMP) to the RMA-Planning Department and the Department of Public Works for review and approval. The CMP
	shall include measures to minimize traffic impacts during the construction/grading phase of the project and
	shall provide the following information: Duration of the construction, hours of operation, an estimate of the number of truck trips that will
	be generated, truck routes, number of construction workers, parking areas for both equipment and workers, and locations of truck staging areas. Approved measures included in the CMP shall be implemented by the applicant during the Construction/grading phase of the project.
Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed:	1. Prior to issuance of the Grading Permit or Building Permit Owner/Applicant/ Contractor shall prepare a CMP and shall submit the CMP to the RMA-Planning Department and the Department of Public Works for review and approval.
	2. On-going through construction phases Owner/Applicant/Contractor shall implement the

approved measures during the construction/grading phase of the project.

## 22. WR002 - STORMWATER CONTROL

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: The applicant shall provide a drainage plan, prepared by a registered civil engineer or licensed architect, to mitigate on-site and off-site impacts. Impervious surface stormwater runoff shall be dispersed at multiple points, on the least steep available slopes, away from and below any septic leach fields. Erosion control shall be provided at each outlet. Drainage improvements shall be constructed in accordance with plans approved by the Water Resources Agency. (Water Resources Agency)

Compliance or Prior to issuance of any construction permit, the owner/applicant shall submit a Monitoring drainage plan with the construction permit application.

The Building Services Department will route a plan set to the Water Resources Agency for review and approval.

## 23. WR049 - WATER AVAILABILITY CERTIFICATION

Responsible Department: Water Resources Agency

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: The applicant shall provide the Monterey County Water Resources Agency proof of water availability in the form of a complete Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Water Release Form. (Water Resources Agency)

Compliance or Prior to issuance of any construction permit, the owner/applicant shall submit a Water Monitoring Release Form to the Water Resources Agency for review and approval.

A copy of the Water Release Form can be obtained at the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, the Water Resources Agency, or online at: www.mcwra.co.monterey.ca.us.

### 24. MM001 - BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES PROTECTION PLAN

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

**Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure:** In order to ensure impacts environmentally sensitive habitats are reduced to a less than significant level, the owner/applicant shall submit a Biological Resources Protection Plan, developed in consultation with the project biologist, prior to the issuance of construction permits. Implementation of the plan shall ensure impacts to Yadon's rein orchid are avoided and impacts to Monterey Pine Forest, individual Monterey pine trees, Central Maritime Chaparral habitat, and small-leaved lomatium are less than significant. This plan shall include information of how sensitive plants species will be identified and protected during grading and construction for the driveway, structures, domestic well access road, and the installation of the geoflow subsurface drip tubing for wastewater treatment. In addition, the plan shall include how a biological resources training program for construction personnel will be implemented and documented.

Compliance or Mitigation Measure Action No. 1a: Prior to the issuance of construction permits for Monitoring grading or building, the owner/applicant shall include a note on the construction plans Action to be Performed: encompassing the language contained in Mitigation Measure No. 1. The owner/applicant shall submit plans to RMA-Planning for review and approval.

Mitigation Measure Action No. 1b: Prior to the issuance of construction permits for grading and/or building, the owner/applicant shall submit to RMA-Planning a copy of the contract between the owner/applicant and a qualified biologist (referred to as the project biologist). The contract shall include provisions of consultation of develop and implement the Biological Resources Protection Plan. The contract shall be submitted to the RMA-Planning Department for review and approval. Should RMA-Planning find the contract incomplete or unacceptable, the contract will be returned to the owner/applicant and a revised contract shall be re-submitted for review and approval.

Mitigation Measure Action No. 1c: Prior to the issuance of construction permits for grading and/or building, the owner/applicant shall submit a Biological Resources Protection Plan to RMA-Planning for review and approval. The protection plan shall include: logistics of how flagging of sensitive plant species locations installation of temporary protection fencing will occur, the length of time these measures will remain in place, and when no longer necessary, how removal of the measure will occur. The plan shall also include a biological resources training program for construction personnel on the importance of avoiding the identified protection areas.

Mitigation Measure Action No. 1d: Prior to the issuance of construction permits for grading and/or building, the owner applicant shall submit evidence that the protection measures outlined in the approved Biological Resources Protection Plan have been in place. This evidence shall include an inspection letter from the project biologist with photo documentation of onsite protection measures as well a record of compliance for implementation of biological resources training program for construction personnel.

Mitigation Measure Action No. 1e: Prior to final of construction permits for grading and/or building, the owner applicant shall submit a final inspection letter from the project biologist verifying compliance with Biological Resources Protection Plan.

#### 25. MM002 - WELL DRILLING PLAN

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

**Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure:** In order to ensure impacts to sensitive plant species during the well drilling process are minimized, protection measures shall be installed to retain well discharge tailings and water from migrating off-site. Prior to issuance of the well permit, the owner/applicant shall submit a drilling plan identifying and implementing the following protection measures:

- Installation of tree protection fencing
- Installation of erosion and sediment control devices

• Identify areas where equipment will be restricted to the building envelope and excluded from any coastal scrub habitat zones

• Use of portable retention pits or retention bio bags for well drilling and deposit of well spoils

• Identify locations of portable excavation pits within the building envelope or on existing pavement

• Identify how and when removal of drilling equipment and portable retention pits will occur

• Use of vacuum truck to remove standing water and slurry debris within the portable retention pits

Removal of drilling equipment and portable retention pits

Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed:

<sup>pr</sup> Mitigation Measure Action No. 2: Prior to issuance of construction permits for grading
 <sup>g</sup> and/or building, the owner/applicant shall submit a drilling plan all protection measures
 identified in Mitigation Measure No. 2 to RMA-Planning for review and approval.

## 26. MM003 - RESTORATION PLAN

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: If during project staging and/or implementation, impacts to small-leaved lomatium occurs, the applicant shall submit a restoration plan with a 2:1 replacement ratio and a 5-year monitoring period to ensure potential impacts to the sensitive species have been sufficiently reduced.

Compliance or<br/>Monitoring<br/>Action to be Performed:Mitigation Measure Action No. 3a: Prior to issuance of construction permits for grading<br/>and/or building, the owner/applicant shall include language contained in Mitigation<br/>Measure No. 3 on the site plan.

Mitigation Measure Action No. 3b: Prior to final of construction permits for grading and/or building, the owner/applicant shall submit a letter of verification by the project biologist that either the restoration plan was not necessary or evidence that the restoration plan was implemented.

## 27. MM004 - CONSERVATION AND SCENIC EASEMENT

Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

**Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure:** In order to prevent future development from occurring on the upper stepper areas of the property and to ensure the protection of scenic and biological resources, a Conservation and Scenic Easement shall be placed on the subject property for areas outside of the identified building envelope. This easement shall be developed on consultation with RMA-Planning staff, the project biologist, and a project surveyor and conveyed to the County of Monterey. The easement shall show the exact location of the easement with a metes and bounds description and contain a clear and concise list of prohibited activities and development within the easement area. An exception shall be made for maintenance a repair of the proposed primary geoflow subsurface wastewater dispersal area.

Compliance or Mitigation Measure Action No. 4a: Prior to issuance of construction permits for grading Monitorina and/or building, the owner/applicant shall submit the Conservation and Scenic Action to be Performed: Easement deed **RMA-Planning** for review and approval. Subsequent to to RMA-Planning's approval, the Board of Supervisors shall accept the conveyance and the deed shall be recorded with the Monterey County Recorder's Office.

#### 28. EHSP01 ALTERNATIVE ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM: OBTAIN PERMIT

Responsible Department: Health Department

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: The Environmental Health Bureau (EHB) has determined that adequate area exists on the property to accommodate an alternative onsite wastewater treatment system (Alt OWTS).

Submit a completed permit application with applicable fees and the following information for review and approval:

- Proposed wastewater production rates
- Site plan indicating Alt OWTS treatment unit and dispersal proposal, designed by

a registered engineer having experience in alternative wastewater treatment and disposal

• Soils and percolation testing report prepared by a qualified individual, which includes a summary of the soil profile extending at least 2' past the bottom of the proposed dispersal field and a determination of the depth to an impervious layer or groundwater if within 10' below the bottom of the proposed dispersal field.

Linear loading rate evaluation

Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed: Prior to issuance of construction permit, submit to EHB for review and approval an Alt OWTS application and pay all associated fees.

## Alt OWTS permit shall be issued concurrent with construction permit.

## 29. EHSP04 WATER WELL CONSTRUCTION PERMIT

Responsible Department: Health Department

Condition/Mitigation Obtain a water well construction permit from the Environmental Health Bureau Monitoring Measure: pursuant to Monterey County Code Chapter 15.08, Water Wells.

**Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed: Prior to drilling the well, a CA-licensed well drilling contractor shall obtain a water well construction permit from the Environmental Health Bureau on behalf of the owner. Issuance of the well permit shall not occur until approval of the Local Coastal Program amendment and zoning of the subject property has been reclassification to Watershed and Scenic Conservation, Special Treatment, Coastal Zone ["WSC/SpTr(CZ)"].** 

## 30. EHSPO2 ALTERNATIVE ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM: DEED RESTRICTION

Responsible Department: Health Department

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: The property owner shall record a deed restriction with the Monterey County Recorder for parcel 241-311-003-000 which indicates that an alternative onsite wastewater treatment system (Alt OWTS) is installed on the property. The deed restriction shall include, but is not limited to, the following details:

• The Alt OWTS is subject to all future federal, state or local laws and ordinances regarding the permitting, operation and maintenance and/or monitoring of Alt OWTS

• The Alt OWTS is subject to an annual operating permit with applicable fees paid to the Environmental Health Bureau

• Property owner agrees to enter into and maintain a maintenance contract with an authorized service provider

Contact EHB to request a copy of the deed restriction template. The property owner will be responsible to pay cost recovery fees associated with review of the deed restriction by County Counsel.

Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed: Prior to final inspection of the construction permit the property owner shall sign and notarize the completed deed restriction template and submit the draft for review and approval by the Environmental Health Bureau and County Counsel.

Once approved, the deed restriction shall be recorded with the Monterey County Recorder. Proof of recordation shall be provided to EHB and the Planning Department.

## 31. EHSPO3 ALTERNATIVE ONSITE WASTEWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM: MAINTENANCE CONTRACT

Responsible Department: Health Department

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: The proposed alternative onsite wastewater treatment system (Alt OWTS) requires ongoing maintenance and monitoring to function as designed. A signed operations and maintenance contract with an authorized service provider must be submitted to the Environmental Health Bureau (EHB). The contract must include, but is not limited to:

Contract term, specification of services to be performed and frequency of service

• Statement indicating that EHB will be notified if either party fails to comply with the contract terms

• A monitoring/ maintenance report, including effluent quality as specified by the associated Alt OWTS operating permit, shall be submitted to EHB every 6 months, or as specified by the EHB operating permit

• EHB shall be notified at each contract renewal term, and a copy of the contract shall be submitted to EHB

Compliance or Monitoring Action to be Performed: Action to be Performed: Prior to final inspection of construction permit, submit an executed operations and maintenance contract with an authorized service provider to EHB for review and acceptance.

## 32. PDSP01 - EFFECTIVE DATE OF COMBINED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (NON-STANDARD)

## Responsible Department: RMA-Planning

Condition/Mitigation Monitoring Measure: This Combined Development Permit shall not take effect, except for Condition of Approval No. 4, unless and until an ordinance rezoning the property from Resource Conservation, Coastal Zone [RC(CZ)] to Watershed Scenic Conservation, Special Treatment, Coastal Zone [WSC-SpTr(CZ)] is adopted by the Board of Supervisors and certified by the California Coastal Commission. No grading or building permit associated with this Combined Development Permit shall be issued until the Combined Development Permit takes effect.

Compliance or Ongiong Monitoring Action to be Performed: