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From: Lowery, Darric C (DFW) <Darric.Lowery@dfw.wa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 04, 2015 9:53 AM
To: Tony Kantas
Cc: Jeff Gonzalez
Subject: RE: Plat of Oak Springs Oak Addendum

Tony,

I am sorry for the delayed response to this addendum, but I am glad I have not missed the opportunity to provide comments. Below are some of WDFW's concerns-

1. The open space track "C" is design as a 30ft buffer that connects habitat areas. Per WDFW's understanding and onsite agreements made January 12th, this open space would have at least a 50ft wide track which would sufficiently enable wildlife to utilize the habitat connectivity corridor. A corridor of lesser than 50ft wide deters wildlife use. Furthermore, given that track C resides between a heavy use road and future residences, a 30ft buffer would likely receive marginal wildlife use due to its narrow design and high level of human interference. We recommend that the track "C" corridor is increased in width.
2. Stand A, stand B, and tack C should be designed as habitat preserves. This was WDFW's understanding of the agreed mitigation from the January 12th, 2015 onsite meeting. The intent of the habitat preserve areas and the Track C corridor is to allow freedom of movement for wildlife within these habitat areas and as an area of refuge from the elevated human interactions. By allowing considerable human use in the habitat areas (such as play areas, parks, and trails) will deter and detracted use by wildlife. Where feasible under county codes, please reduce human activity within the habitat areas.
3. WDFW again recommends that a planting plan for the track "A" storm water management area includes native woody vegetation and other beneficial aquatic vegetation to enhance the available habitat that will be lost in this area. There are several damaged oak trees in this area that will be removed and native vegetation enhancements in track "A" will lend toward some minor mitigation.

All other components of this addendum/proposal meet the desired goals and agreement establish with WDFW on January 12th, 2015. Thank you for the opportunity to review this proposal.

Regards,

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Darric,

I've attached the oak addendum the applicant has submitted for the Plat of Oak Springs. If you have any questions or concerns, do not hesitate to let me know.

Thank you,
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