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# Department of Planning and Community Development

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### Director's Decision

**APPLICANT:** 

David Lawley

FILE NO.:

NSA-96-84

PROJECT:

Single-family residence with accessory building

LOCATION:

Deep Wood Lane off of Archer Mountain Road, Section 28 of T2N, R6E, W.M., and is

identified as Skamania County Tax Lot #2-6-28-905.

ZONING:

General Management Area, Small Woodland (F-3)

**DECISION:** 

Based upon the entire record before the Director, including particularly the Staff Report, the application by, described above, subject to the conditions set forth in this

Decision, is found to be consistent with Title 22 SCC and is hereby approved.

Although the proposed development is approved, it may not be buildable due to inadequate soils for septic and/or lack of potable water. These issues are under the jurisdiction of Skamania County's Building Department and the Washington State

Health District

Approval of this request does not exempt the applicant or successors in interest from compliance with all other applicable local, state, and federal laws.

## CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL:

The following conditions are required to ensure that the subject request is consistent with Skamania County Title 22. This document, outlining the conditions of approval, must be recorded in the deed records of the Skamania County Auditor in order to ensure notice of the conditions of approval to successors in interest. SCC §22.06.050(C)(2).

- All developments shall be consistent with the enclosed site plan, unless modified by the following conditions of approval. If modified, the site plan shall be consistent with the conditions of approval.
- All buildings shall be surrounded by a maintained fuel break of 50 feet. Irrigated or fire resistant vegetation may be planted within the fuel break, including green lawns and low shrubs (less than 24 inches in height). Trees should be placed greater than 15 feet between the crown and pruned to remove dead and low (less than 8 feet) branches. Accumulated leaves, needles and other dead vegetation shall be removed from beneath trees.

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- 3) Hazardous fuels shall be removed within the fuel break area.
- 4) Buildings with plumbed water systems shall install at least one standpipe at a minimum of 50 feet from the structure(s).
- A pond, stream, tank or sump with storage of not less than 1,000 gallons, or a well or water system capable of delivering 20 gallons per minute shall be provided. If a well pump is located on-site, the electrical service shall be separate from the dwelling.
- Access drives shall be constructed to a minimum of 12 feet in width and not exceed a grade of 12 to a level that is passable to fire equipment.

Variances to road provisions may be made after consultation with the local rural fire district and the Washington State Department of Natural Resources.

- Within one year of the occupancy of a dwelling, the Department shall conduct a review of the development to assure compliance with these this section.
- 8) Telephone and power supp'y shall be underground.
- Roofs of structures should be made of fire-resistant materials, such as metal, fiberglass shingle or tile.

  Roof materials such as cedar shake and shingle should not be used.
- Any chimney or stovepipe on any structure for use with a woodstove or fireplace should be screened with no coarser than 1/4 inch mesh metal screen that is noncombustible and corrosion resistant and should be equipped with a spark arrestor.
- All structural projections such as balconies, decks and roof gables should be built with fire resistant materials equivalent to that specified in the Uniform Building code.
- Attic openings, soffit vents, foundation louvers or other ventilation openings on dwellings and accessory structures should be screened with no coarser than 1/4 inch mesh metal screen that is
- 13) A variance shall be allowed from the 200' setback requirements. The variance shall be the minimum necessary to allow the residence.
- A grading plan shall be submitted prior to permit issuance if the area to be graded exceeds 100 cubic yards.
- Applicant shall be required to sign and record with the County Auditor's office, a declaration stating they are aware that adjacent and nearby operators are entitled to carry on accepted farm or forest practices on adjacent lands prior to the issuance of a building permit.

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- Setbacks for the accessory building shall be five feet from side lot lines, fifteen feet from the rear lot 16) line, and fifteen feet from the front lot line or forty-five feet from the centerline of private or public road, whichever is greater.
- Ten trees shall be planted, staggered, at no less than 12 foot centers, screening development from key 17) viewing areas on the south and southwest side of the proposed house. At least half of the trees planted shall be native to the setting and be coniferous to provide screening during the winter season.
- Proposed structures shall be finished in non-reflective materials of dark, earth-tone colors. Prior to 18) issuance of a building permit, applicant shall submit color samples to the Department to verify consistency with the above criterion.
- Exterior lighting shall be directed downward and sited, hooded and shielded such that it is not highly 19) visible from key viewing areas. Shielding and hooding materials shall be composed of non-reflective, opaque materials. All lights shall be hooded and shielded so as to have a luminary with less than a 90 degree cutoff.
- Existing trees screening development from key viewing areas shall be retained with the exception of the 20) four trees shown on the submitted site plan that will be removed for proposed development.
- Compliance with specific approval conditions to achieve visual subordinance shall occur prior to 21) issuance of occupancy permit.
- The following procedures shall be effected when cultural resources are discovered during construction 22)
  - Halt Construction. All construction activities within 100 feet of the discovered cultural resource shall cease. The cultural resources shall remain as found; further disturbance is
  - Notification. The project applicant shall notify the Planning Department and the Gorge Commission within 24 hours of the discovery. If the cultural resources are prehistoric or otherwise associated with Native Americans, the project applicant shall also notify the Indian tribal governments within 24 hours.
  - Survey and Evaluations. The Gorge Commission shall arrange for the cultural resources survey.

Dated and Signed this 19th day of May 1997, at Stevenson, Washington.

Harpreet Sandhu, Director

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#### **NOTES**

Any new residential development, related accessory structures such as garages or workshops, and additions or alterations not included in this approved site plan, will require a new application and review.

As per SCC §22.06.050(C)(2), the Director's Decision shall be recorded in the County deed records prior to commencement of the approved project.

As per SCC §22.06.050(C)(5), the decision of the Director approving a proposed development action shall become void in two years if the development is not commenced within that period, or when the development action is discontinued for any reason for one continuous year or more.

## APPEALS

The decision of the Director shall be final unless a written Notice of Appeal is filed by an interested person within 20 days from the date hereof. Appeal may be made to the Skamania County Board of Adjustment, P.O. Box 799, Stevenson, WA 98648, on or before June 9 1971. Notice of Appeal forms are available at the Department Office.

A copy of the Decision was sent to the following:

Skamania County Building Department Skamania County Assessor's Office

A copy of this Decision, including the Staff Report, was sent to the following:

Persons submitting written comments in a timely manner Yakama Indian Nation
Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs
Nez Perce Tribe
Columbia River Gorge Commission
U.S. Forest Service - NSA Office
Board of County Commissioners

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