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Letter Amendment to Director's Decision NSA-98-06

APPLICANT: Terry Steeves

FILE NO.: 3rd Amendment to NSA-98-06

REFERENCE NO.: Director's Decision for NSA-98-06, recorded in Book 194, Page 114, Auditor's file # 136528, and Letter Amendment to NSA-98-06, recorded in Book 194, Page 119 both recorded on the 12th day of October, 1999.

LEGAL: T2N, R6E, Section 27; Lot 2 of the Landerholm Short Plat recorded in Book 3, Page 96.

PROJECT: Single-family residence, accessory building, electrical service and cleanup.

LOCATION: Approximately 1 mile up Woodard Creek Road off of SR-14, in Skamania; Section 27 of T2N, R6E, W.M., and identified as Skamania County Tax Lot # 2-6-27-3-102.

ZONING: General Management Area, Residential (R-10)

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August 27, 2000

Dear Ms. Steeves:

The Planning Department issued a final Director's Decision on June 11, 1998 for the above referenced application and a subsequent letter amendments on May 24, 1999, and May 4, 2000. However, since then you have submitted a request to extend the existing driveway downwards to a circular driveway for accessing the accessory structures. I have attached the adjusted site plan and the original site plan to show the difference. The Director's Decision contained a condition that stated:

- 1) All development 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.

The Director's Decision approved a specific site plan. Changes to that site plan require an amendment to the original decision. As you can see from the site plan, an extension of the driveway is being requested. The proposed extension is necessary for access to the accessory building during construction. The road appears to be an old logging road that has overgrown a little. The extension of the road is necessary to smooth out the existing sharp turn and provide a turn around for construction equipment. Improvements to this road would have little visual effect. Additionally, the other access road on the west side of the property, has been abandoned and returned to grass for protection of a creek.

Please also note that according to condition #9 of your original Decision, the stream and pond on your property has a 100 foot setback. This setback is a buffer that is to be left in a natural state, and not manicured. Removal of non-native species may be permitted so long as the work is done with hand tools.

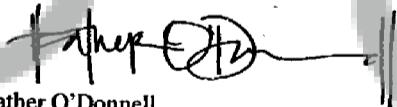
Pursuant to SCC §22.06.080(B), a change or alteration to an approved action, if determined to be minor by the Director, may be "deemed consistent with the provisions of this Title and the findings and conclusions on the original application." I have determined that the proposed request constitutes a minor change, therefore, the original decision shall be amended to allow for the extension of the driveway.

All of the original conditions in the Director's Decision are still valid and shall be complied with.

This amendment does include a 20 day appeal period (see below) and no building permits will be issued within the 20 day time period. Furthermore, this amendment shall be recorded in the County Auditor's office prior to the issuance of any building permits.

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at 509-427-9458. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Heather O'Donnell
Associate Planner

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APPEALS

This Administrative Decision of the Director shall be final unless reversed or modified on appeal. A written Notice of Appeal may be 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 790, Stevenson, WA 98648, on or before 9/17/01. Notice of Appeal forms are available at the Department Office.

WARNING

On November 30, 1998 the Columbia River Gorge Commission overturned a Skamania County Director's Decision 18 months after the 20 day appeal period had expired. You are hereby warned that you are proceeding at your own risk and Skamania County will not be liable for any damages you incur in reliance upon your Director's Decision or any amendments thereto.

cc: Skamania County Building Department
Skamania County Assessor's Office
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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