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Edward Prestley, Interim Deputy Director

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

August 10, 2023

TO:

Members of the Trinity County Planning Commission

FROM:

Ed Prestley, Interim Deputy Director

SUBJECT:

Agenda Item: 3 Discussion Sub-division Review Committee

Comment received August 10, 2023

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Dear Planning Commissioners,

I have been a Trinity County resident for twenty-five years and the sitting County Surveyor for the last six and a half years, as an independent contractor. My duties include supporting the TCDOT and Planning Departments by reviewing all subdivision maps and legal descriptions related to Lot Line Adjustments, prior to recordation. It would be a service to the applicants, developers, surveyors, and engineers as well as all Trinity County residents to have an active Subdivision Review Committee (SRC), as required by County code. It could streamline the inter department communication for the county, including Planning, DOT, Environmental Health, Building, other County departments and, if necessary, any outside agencies.

The SRC allows an Applicant and his professional servicers an early idea of the feasibility of a project. It can help review some of the possible Conditions of Approval (COA) to expect on a project at a pre-application meeting, if necessary. It allows a more complete and comprehensive list of COA along with stating how those can be accomplished and by when, at a post-application meeting (after agency comments have been returned). It provides a vehicle at the finalization of a project, prior to recordation, to assure, both the Applicant and the County departments, that all of the COA have been accomplished or are no longer required.

Every developer wants an assurance of requirements at the outset of a project. Every applicant wants to know what permits may be required by the County or other agencies. Often this is an educational opportunity that is best performed at the outset of a project life thereby allowing the applicant time to contract with professionals (engineers, surveyors, and others) for the engineering, surveying, mapping, and technical studies that may be required by state or local laws.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this opinion in support of the re-establishment of the Subdivision Review Committee (SRC).

Sincerely yours,

Joan E. Carr PLS RCE County Surveyor

Trinity County