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To: Merrill, Hannah
Subject: FW: New Shoreline Master Program

From: Dan & Janice Blazer [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, May 22, 2012 2:36 PM
To: Gray, Steve
Subject: Re: New Shoreline Master Program

Hi Steve,

First, I apologize for not sending this email earlier. I wanted to thank you for taking the time to see me personally regarding my concerns about the proposed shoreline designations as it affects my property on the Lyre River.

I would like to address the following items.

- 1) As you might recall, you had somehow been provided with an outdated parcel overlay for the Norman Family Short Plat (I think you actually had the Pennoyer Short Plat overlay) . My parcel (Geo ID 093128190260000) for physical address 982 W Lyre River Rd. is now a 1 acre parcel and the 2 parcels to the immediate south are 2 and 2.5 acres respectively.
- 2) The history....the reconfiguration of these parcels was done as the result of distributing the majority of the land assets in the Norman Family Limited Partnership in 2008. At that time, the partnership closed the RV park business, distributed most of the land assets and developed covenants for the distributed property to protect the water view and other rights of the property owners. The intent was for family members to be able to build single family dwellings and finally enjoy the property which had been basically public use for the previous 30 years. Our family has owned this land and more along the river for the past 70 years. We also have a vested interest in protecting the riverbank and its habitat. Additionally, we are familiar with the past 70 years of river habit.
- 3) The problem... my parcel and the 2 parcels to the south would be hard pressed to build residences that take advantage of the marine view using the 175 ft setback in the proposed designation of Freshwater Conservancy. While I realize that this is certainly not the county's problem, I would like to see a designation that at least recognizes that development has occurred in this area. The lots are divided, the covenants for single family dwellings are in place and have been for 4 years, and all utilities necessary for single family dwellings are present. Two of us have been in the active planning process for our residences to be located there.
- 4) Possible solutions... I would like to see the Freshwater Residential or some variation of this designation applied to those parcels since all of the development has occurred except the actual building of the residences. I would encourage an onsite visit so that you could see whether or not the 50 foot setback would be harmful to the riverbank. Or perhaps a compromise of setback distance is possible.

I can see that the Freshwater Residential, given its current criteria, does not exactly fit these parcels, but I'm not sure that Freshwater Conservancy does either. I am sure that you don't want to inundate the plan with unnecessary designations, but please consider our uniqueness as you move forward in developing and assigning the designations.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If I can provide any additional information that would assist you, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Janice Blazer



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