

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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February 8, 2018

Robert Maul, Planning Manager City of Camas Community Development Department 616 NE Fourth Avenue Camas, WA 98607

Dear Mr. Maul:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the mitigated determination of nonsignificance for the Green Mountain Subdivision Phase 3 Project (SEPA18-01 & SUB17-03) located near Ingle Road and Northeast Goodwin Road as proposed by Green Mountain Land, LLC. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) reviewed the environmental checklist and has the following comment(s):

## SHORELANDS & ENVIRONMENTAL ASSISTANCE: Rebecca Rothwell (360) 407-7273

Ecology conducted a site visit with ELS and the Corps on September 25, 2017, to verify wetland boundaries and determine whether Wetland A was isolated with respect to federal Clean Water Act jurisdiction. Ecology has not yet received the Corps' jurisdictional determination (JD) but expects that the Corps will determine that Wetland A is an isolated wetland. We agreed at the site visit that Wetland A is a Category 3 wetland, not Category 4, as is stated in the SEPA checklist.

Ecology will review the proposal to fill Wetland A under RCW 90.48, the state Water Pollution Control Act, and expects to issue an Administrative Order (AO) to authorize the wetland impact and require compensatory mitigation. Ecology must have the JD from the Corps prior to issuing an AO. Ecology also needs a revised JARPA and wetland rating from the applicant in order to start the AO review process.

Ecology requests an opportunity to review the rationale for wetland buffer reduction on Wetlands B and C to ensure that the proposed reductions are consistent with the Camas Critical Areas Ordinance. Please send the proposal for buffer reductions to <a href="mailto:Rebecca.Rothwell@ecy.wa.gov">Rebecca.Rothwell@ecy.wa.gov</a>.

## WATER RESOURCES: Vicki Cline (360) 407-0278

The proponent is responsible for inspecting the site to determine the location of all existing wells. Any unused wells must be properly decommissioned and decommission reports submitted to Ecology as described in WAC 173-160-381. This includes resource protection wells and any dewatering wells installed during the construction phase of the project.

Ecology's comments are based upon information provided by the lead agency. As such, they may not constitute an exhaustive list of the various authorizations that must be obtained or legal requirements that must be fulfilled in order to carry out the proposed action.

If you have any questions or would like to respond to these comments, please contact the appropriate reviewing staff listed above.

Department of Ecology Southwest Regional Office

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cc: Rebecca Rothwell, SEA Vicki Cline, WR Green Mountain Land, LLC (Applicant)