Mariposa County
Planning Department
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STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF MARIPOSA
PLANNING COMMISSION

Resolution
No. 2006-13

A resolution conditionally approving LAND DIVISION APPLICATION #2005-183 Michael & Gloria Conlin, applicants.
Assessor Parcel Number: portion of 016-160-076.

WHEREAS an application for LAND DIVISION APPLICATION #2005-183 was received on 9/23/05 from Michael & Gloria Conlin for a property located at Old Highway, also known as portion of 016-160-076; and

WHEREAS Michael & Gloria Conlin, applicants, propose to divide a 10.36 acre parcel into 2 parcels, Parcel 1 is 5.10 & Parcel 2 is 5.26 acres. Subject property is zoned Mountain Home. The parcels are undeveloped except for a well on Parcel 1. The applicants are proposing residential development within the standards established by the Mariposa County General Plan. All future development on the parcels will utilize onsite wells and septic systems; and

WHEREAS the Planning Department circulated the application among trustee and responsible agencies, interested public organizations, and others as appropriate; and

WHEREAS a duly noticed public hearing was scheduled for the 7th of April, 2006; and

WHEREAS the Planning Department prepared environmental documents in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and local administrative procedures; and

WHEREAS a Staff Report and Initial Study were prepared pursuant to the California Government Code, Mariposa County Code, California Environmental Quality Act, and local administrative procedures; and

WHEREAS the Planning Commission did hold a public hearing on the noticed date and considered all of the information in the public record, including the Initial Study and Staff Report, testimony presented by the public concerning the application, and the comments of the applicant,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Planning Commission of the County of Mariposa does hereby approve a Mitigated Negative Declaration; and

BE IT THEREFORE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Planning Commission of the County of Mariposa does hereby approve LAND DIVISION APPLICATION #2005-183; and
BE IT THEREFORE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the project is approved based upon the findings set forth in Exhibit 1 with the term, mitigation measures, and conditions set forth in Exhibit 2.

ON MOTION BY Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Skyrud, this resolution is duly passed and adopted this April 7, 2006 by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Ross, Skyrud, Rudzik, DeSantis

NOES: Commissioner Ludington

EXCUSED: None

ABSTAIN: None

Robert L. Rudzik, Chair
Mariposa County Planning Commission

Attest:

Carol Suggs, Secretary to the Mariposa County Planning Commission
EXHIBIT 1
PROJECT FINDINGS
FOR
LAND DIVISION APPLICATION #2005-183

1. FINDING: The site is physically suitable for the type and density of development.

EVIDENCE: Based on site inspection and the proposed division of the existing parcel into two parcels that are five acres or greater, the site is physically suited for low-density homes and appurtenant improvements such as septic systems. The proposed project is located within the Mountain Home zone. The subdivision density is designed in accordance with the Mountain Home zone.

2. FINDING: The design of the subdivision or the proposed improvements is not likely to cause substantial environmental damage or substantially and avoidably injure fish or wildlife or their habitat.

EVIDENCE: The Initial Study prepared for the project found that based on the approved project description and mitigation measures, it would have a less than significant effect on the environment. According to the Department of Fish and Game's Natural Diversity Data Base and Areas of Special Biological Importance Map for Mariposa County, there are no special, rare, or endangered animal or plant species or wildlife resources located on the project site and the surrounding area that would be affected by approval of this project. The land is currently and will continue to be used primarily for residential purposes. The project may have an adverse impact on wildlife resources and potential habitat areas, and is therefore subject to the California Department of Fish and Game filing fees of ($1,250) for a negative declaration as required by AB 3158 and a County Clerk fee of ($25).
3. **FINDING:** The design of the subdivision or the proposed improvements is not likely to cause serious public health problems.

**EVIDENCE:** This land division and its subsequent use for low-density residential purposes are not likely to cause serious health problems. Future residential uses will be required to comply with all Building Code regulations and Health Department standards for the proper installation of wells and sewage disposal systems. The proper location and implementation of these improvements will ensure that serious health problems will not occur on the site.

4. **FINDING:** The proposed map is consistent with applicable general and specific plans as specified in Government Code Section 65451.

**EVIDENCE:** The land division is the initial step in the process to help accomplish the General Plan’s Housing Element overall goal to “...provide an adequate supply of sound, affordable housing units in a safe and satisfying environment for the present and future residents of the County...” The land division satisfies the following Housing Element Policy: “to ensure that there are adequate sites and facilities available to support future housing needs.” There is no specific plan governing this property.

5. **FINDING:** The design or improvement of the proposed subdivision is consistent with applicable general and specific plans.

**EVIDENCE:** The minimum parcel size proposed by the project is consistent with standards contained in the General Plan and the Zoning Ordinance. The land division’s design complies with the County Subdivision Ordinance’s maximum 4:1 length to width ratio for parcel configuration. The project site is not in an area governed by a Specific Plan.

6. **FINDING:** The design of the subdivision or type of improvements will not conflict with easements, acquired by the public at large, for access through or use of, property within the proposed subdivision.

**EVIDENCE:** The project will not conflict with any public easement. Affected utility companies have reviewed the proposed project and have not objected to the proposal.
EXHIBIT 2
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL AND MITIGATION MEASURES
FOR
LAND DIVISION APPLICATION #2005-183

Project Name: Conlins    File Number: LDA No. 2005-183

Project Approval Date: April 7, 2005

The following conditions of approval were approved for this project in order to ensure compliance with county codes and policies. A completed and signed checklist indicates that the conditions have been complied with and implemented.

Sign-Off Checklist for List of Conditions of Approval and Mitigation Measures

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Project Description

Land Division Application No. 2005-183 proposes to divide a 10.36 acre parcel into 2 parcels, Parcel 1 is 5.10 & Parcel 2 is 5.26 acres

Applicant proposes to make offsite improvements to Old Highway to lessen traffic impacts to Old Highway. The applicant proposes to:

1. Construct a turnout on the south side of Old Highway approximately .7 miles east of Highway 140.

These improvements will be done through the encroachment permit process in accordance to standards established in the county improvements standards and the SRA fire safe regulations. All proposed improvements will be finished prior to recordation of the parcel map.

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL / PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

1. Thunder Road from Old Highway to Parcel 2 shall be improved to the minimum of a Rural Class II SRA "B" standard and shall meet this standard at the time of parcel map recordation. The required road improvements shall be completed in accordance with the Road Improvement and Circulation Policy and the County Improvement Standards and shall be approved by the County Engineer at the time of the recordation of the parcel map. The County Engineer may require engineered improvement plans prepared by a Registered Civil Engineer for any improvements required as a condition of approval for this project. If engineered improvement plans are required, the plans shall be approved by the County Engineer prior to commencement of construction work on the required road improvements (Section 16.12.170, County Subdivision Ordinance; Chart A and Section II.D.2.a, Road Improvement and Circulation Policy).

2. Prior to recordation of the Parcel Map, the applicant shall amend the private road maintenance association created for land division application no. 2003-233 if necessary to include the 2 parcels. A declaration shall be

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recorded concurrently with the Parcel Map and referenced on the parcel map as follows:

"Parcels 1 and 2 as shown on the parcel map for ______ recorded in Book ______ of Parcel Maps at Page ______ MCR, shall be subject to the provision of the private road maintenance association created for parcel map 28-36, MCR."

The County Surveyor shall confirm that this condition has been met prior to parcel map recordation.

3. Prior to the commencement of any road improvements, road construction or other road building or maintenance activities required as a condition of approval for this project or proposed by the applicant and prior to issuance of any encroachment permit for the required improvements, a consultation meeting with the Public Works Department, CDF, the applicant, the agent, and a road contractor shall occur. This meeting shall be conducted on-site. This consultation meeting shall be setup by the applicant and/or agent. Any and all costs associated with the consultation shall be the responsibility of the applicant. The County engineer shall verify that this condition has been met prior to issuance of any road improvement or encroachment permit required for this project and prior to the scheduling of any on-site inspection of road improvements.

4. Immediately upon completion of the required road and encroachment improvements, the applicant shall re-vegetate all exposed soils and install other erosion control as recommended by the Natural Resource Conservation Service/Resource Conservation District (NRCS/RCD). The applicant shall also contact the NRCS/RCD for an inspection. Inspection fees shall be the responsibility of the application. A letter shall be submitted to the County Surveyor by NRCS/RCD stating that the re-vegetation and erosion control provisions have been completed.
5. A Verification of Taxes Paid Form, acquired no sooner than 30-days prior to the recordation of the parcel map, shall be submitted to the County Surveyor.

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL/ MARIPOSA HEALTH DEPARTMENT

6. Percolation tests and soils analysis tests shall be performed on Parcels 1 and 2 in accordance with Health Department rules and regulations. The results of these tests shall be submitted to the Mariposa County Health Department and be approved by the County R.E.H.S. prior to recordation of the parcel map. A letter from the County R.E.H.S. shall be submitted to the County Surveyor stating that approved percolation tests and soils analysis tests have been performed on the parcels. A statement shall be recorded in Official Records concurrently with the parcel/ map and referenced on the parcel map as follows:

"Approved percolation tests and soils analysis tests have been performed on Parcels ____ as shown on the Parcel Map for ____, recorded in Book ____ of Parcel Maps at Page ____, Mariposa County Records, to verify the feasibility of installing an on-site septic disposal system. A map identifying the location of the approved percolation tests is on file in the County Health Department. If an on-site septic system is proposed for a portion of a parcel that has not had an approved percolation tests, additional percolation tests and design recommendations may be required."

(Section 16.12.330, County Subdivision Ordinance; Health Department Recommendation)

CONDITION OF APPROVAL / MARIPOSA PLANNING

7. Project approval is valid for a period of three years from April 7, 2006. This approval shall expire on April 7, 2009.

§16.12.430, Mariposa County Subdivision Code

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8. An open space easement shall be designated on the parcel map for the identified archeological site on the project site and a declaration shall be recorded. The easement shall be clearly shown on the parcel map and shall be established a minimum of five (5) feet from all portions of the archeological site. The easement, including its location, shall be approved by the Planning Director. A declaration shall be recorded prior to or concurrent with the parcel map which states:

"Grading, driveways, roads, and structures shall be prohibited within the open space easement. Cultural resources shall not be altered, disturbed, removed, or destroyed. If archeological materials are uncovered during future ground disturbance or construction, Mariposa County authorities and/or a qualified archeologist should be notified immediately."

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9. Prior to recordation of the Parcel Map, all fees associated with the County's processing of the map and filing of associated documents shall be paid. The Department of Fish and Game filing fee ($1,250) and County Clerk fee ($25) should be paid within five (5) working days of the approval of the application, because if the fee is not paid within 5 working days, the environmental determination is not operative, vested, or final (Section 21089(b) Public Resources Code.).

The County Clerk requires that one check be submitted to cover both of these fees, for a total of $1,275.00, and that it be in the form of a cashier's check or money order payable to "Mariposa County." The County Clerk will not accept a personal check for these fees. Submit the check to Mariposa Planning who will file this fee and other required documents with the County Clerk.

§16.12.390, Mariposa County Subdivision Code; 711.4(c) of the State Fish and Game code

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10. The Property Owner shall indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless the County, and any agency or instrumentality thereof, and officers, officials, employees, or agents thereof, from any and all claims, actions, suits, proceedings, or judgments against the County, or any agency or instrumentality thereof, and any officers, officials, employees, or agents thereof to attack, set aside, void, or annul, any approval of the County, or any agency or instrumentality thereof, advisory agency, appeal board, or legislative body, including actions approved by the voters of the County, concerning the project and the approvals granted herein. Actions concerning the project and approvals granted shall include, but not be limited to, the environmental determination made pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Furthermore, Owner shall indemnify, protect, defend, and hold harmless the County, or any agency or instrumentality thereof, against any and all claims, actions, suits, proceedings, or judgments against another governmental entity in which Owner’s project is subject to that other governmental entity’s approval and a condition of such approval is that the County indemnify and defend such governmental entity. County shall promptly notify the Owner of any claim, action, or proceeding. County will further cooperate in the defense of the action.

An agreement on a form approved by Mariposa County Counsel shall be executed within twenty (20) working days of the date of project action. Non-compliance with this condition may result in revocation of project approval by the county.

§16.36.030, Mariposa County Subdivision Code
11. Prior to Parcel Map recordation, the applicant shall have complied with all applicable SRA Fire Safe Regulations. A document shall be recorded and referenced on the Parcel Map that states:

"Future residential development of Parcels 1and 2 as shown on the Parcel Map for _____ recorded in Book _____ of Parcel Maps at Page _____, MCOR, shall be required to conform with all applicable SRA Fire Safe Regulations (Public Resource Code 4290 and 4291). Furthermore, the development of the parcels is subject to all applicable SRA Fire Safe Regulations and the risk of fire hazards shall be reduced through compliance with Public Resource Code 4291."

Evidence that this condition has been satisfied shall be in the form of a letter from the California Department of Forestry (CDF) to the County Surveyor.
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Certificate of Completion:

By signing below, the environmental coordinator confirms that the required conditions of approval and mitigation measures have been implemented as evidenced by the "Schedule of Tasks and Sign-Off Checklist", and that all direct and indirect costs have been paid. This act constitutes the issuance of a Certificate of Completion.

__________________________________
Environmental Coordinator

Date

Explanation of Headings:

Monitoring Dept: Department or Agency responsible for monitoring a particular mitigation measure.

Verified Implemented: When a mitigation measure has been implemented, this column will be initialed and dated.