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STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF MARIPOSA  
PLANNING COMMISSION

Resolution  
No. 2004-51

**A resolution conditionally approving Land Division Application  
No. 2004-106, Paul Reed and Ruth McKinney, applicants.  
Assessor Parcel Number 014-270-056.**

WHEREAS an application for land division was received on May 24, 2004 from Paul Reed and Ruth McKinney for a property located at 4945 Indian Peak Road, approximately 1000 feet south of the intersection of Indian Peak Road and State Highway 49 South, also known as Assessor Parcel Number 014-270-056; 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 December 17, 2004; 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 Negative Declaration; and

BE IT THEREFORE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Planning Commission of the County of Mariposa does hereby approve Land Division Application No. 2004-106; and

BE IT THEREFORE FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the project is approved based upon the findings set forth in Exhibit 1 of this resolution with the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit 2 of this resolution.

ON MOTION BY Commissioner Skyrud, seconded by Commissioner Ludington, this resolution is duly passed and adopted this December 17, 2004 by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Ludington, Rudzik, Crain, Skyrud, and Turpin

NOES: None

EXCUSED: None

ABSTAIN: None

  
Susan Taber Crain, Chair  
Mariposa County Planning Commission

Attest:

  
Tracy Gauthier, Secretary to the  
Mariposa County Planning Commission

## Exhibit 1--Project Findings for LDA No. 2004-106

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 four parcels that are all five acres or greater, the site is physically suited for low-density homes and appurtenant improvements such as septic systems provided that the conditions of approval regarding the septic systems and approved locations are met. 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, 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--Project Conditions for LDA No. 2004-106**

**Project Name: Paul Reed and Ruth McKinney**  
**Project Approval Date: December 17, 2004**

**File Number: LDA No. 2004-106**

The following conditions of approval and mitigation measures were approved for this project in order to ensure compliance with county codes and policies, and to mitigate identified environmental impacts to a level of insignificance. A completed and signed checklist indicates that the conditions and mitigation measures have been complied with and implemented, and fulfills the County of Mariposa's Mitigation Monitoring requirements with respect to Assembly Bill 3180 (Public Resources Code Section 21081.6)

<b>Sign-Off Checklist for List of Conditions of Approval and Mitigation Measures</b>		
	<b>Monitoring Dept.</b>	<b>Verified Implemented</b>
<b>CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL / PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT</b>		
1. The onsite road easement shall be made 60 foot wide and non-exclusive. Two cul-de-sac easements, each with a radius of 60 feet shall be provided to encompass the required cul-de-sac improvements. Additional easement width may be required to encompass the required road improvements, including turnouts and associated cuts and fills, and to provide adequate frontage along Parcel 1 from the north cul-de-sac, in accordance with the County Improvement Standards and Road Improvement and Circulation Policy. The easement shall be offered for dedication to the County of Mariposa. The offers of dedication shall be non-revocable and specifically state on the parcel map that the dedications are for "public road and utility purposes."  §16.12.160.B, County Subdivision Ordinance; Road Standard Cross-sections, Road Improvement and Circulation Policy.	Public Works	
2. An encroachment permit shall be obtained from the Mariposa County Public Works Department prior to any work being done on or adjacent to Indian Peak Road. In addition, all grading and road improvement work required as a condition of approval of this project shall comply with the Mariposa County Improvement Standards and all requirements contained therein. 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.  Chapter 11, County Improvement Standards	Public Works	
3. A dedication of a minimum of 30 feet from the centerline of	Public Works	

<p>both Indian Peak Road and Sebastopol Road within the project site shall be offered to the County of Mariposa. The offer of dedication shall be non-revocable and specifically state on the parcel map that the dedication is for "public road and public utility purposes." The location and width of the offer of dedication shall be approved by the County Engineer</p> <p>§16.12.150, County Subdivision Ordinance; Section II.A.3, Road Improvement and Circulation Policy.</p>		
<p>4. The easement from Indian Peak Road through the off-site parcel to the subject property boundary shall be improved to a Rural Class IIB standard and shall meet this standard at the time of parcel map recordation. The onsite easement shall be improved to a Rural Class I standard along its entire length 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 prior to 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</p> <p>§16.12.170, County Subdivision Ordinance; Chart A and Section II.D.2.a, Road Improvement and Circulation Policy.</p>	Public Works	
<p>5. Two cul-de-sacs shall be constructed, one at each terminus of the on-site easement road. The cul-de-sacs shall be improved to meet county standards and shall meet these standards at the time of parcel map recordation. The cul-de-sac at the north end of the proposed onsite easement road shall be located outside of the existing drainage on proposed Parcels 1 and 2; additional easement width and access improvements may be required in order to improve the onsite easement road and north cul-de-sac to County standards. The required cul-de-sac improvements shall be completed in accordance with the Road Improvement and Circulation Policy and the County Improvement Standards and shall be approved and inspected by the County Engineer prior to recordation of the parcel map. If construction of a cul-de-sac is impractical due to the on-site terrain as determined by the County Engineer with the concurrence of CDF, the applicant may request permission to construct a hammerhead T turnaround. Prior to recordation of the parcel map, the County Surveyor shall confirm that this condition has been met.</p> <p>Section 11.4(B)(9) County Improvement Standards</p>	Public Works	
<p>6. 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 and prior to</p>	Public Works	

<p>issuance of any encroachment permit for the required improvements, a consultation meeting with the Public Works Department, the applicant, the agent, and the road contractor and 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.</p> <p>Public Works Recommendation</p>		
<p>7. All grading and road improvement work required as a condition of approval of this project shall comply with the Mariposa County Improvement Standards and all requirements contained therein. The County Engineer may require engineered improvement plans prepared by a Registered Civil Engineer for any improvement required as a condition of approval for this project. If engineered improvement plans are required, the plan shall be approved by the County Engineer <u>prior</u> to commencement of construction work on the required road improvements.</p> <p>If the north cul-de-sac is not relocated, the Public Works Department recommends that the applicant provide engineered drainage plans for the cul-de-sac at the north end of the onsite easement road.</p> <p>Public Works Recommendation</p>	Public Works	
<p>8. All required signs, including street name signs, shall be installed on metal, break-away type posts prior to map recordation. The design and placement of signs shall be approved by the County Engineer prior to installation.</p> <p>Public Works Recommendation</p>	Public Works	
<p>9. A stop sign shall be placed at the offsite intersection of the onsite easement and Indian Peak Road. The stop sign shall be installed on metal breakaway type posts prior to map recordation. The design and placement of signs shall be approved by the County engineer prior to installation.</p> <p>Public Works Recommendation</p>	Public Works	
<p>10. A sign stating "THIS ROAD IS NOT COUNTY MAINTAINED" shall be installed at the offsite intersection of the offsite easement and Indian Peak Road prior to map recordation. The design and specifications of the sign shall be in accordance with the County Improvement Standards and shall be approved by the County engineer prior to installation.</p> <p>(Section III.A.4, Road Improvement and Circulation Policy)</p>	Public Works	

<p>11. A road maintenance association shall be formed to provide for the maintenance of the road in the onsite easement and the off-site easement up to its intersection with Indian Peak Road. Alternatively, the applicant may legally join the road maintenance association formed as a condition of approval for LDA #1544. Maintenance shall include, but not be limited to, drainage and erosion control devices, fuel modification, and upkeep of road surfaces. The Road Maintenance Association provisions shall be developed by the applicant so those parcels served by the easement roads shall be responsible for road maintenance. These provisions shall be reviewed and approved by the County Engineer prior to recordation of the parcel map and shall:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Be in effect for a period of not less than thirty (30) years unless said maintenance is taken over by the County, a special district, or other governmental entity.</li> <li>b. Provide for annual maintenance and the immediate correction of emergency and hazard situations.</li> <li>c. Include 100% of the parcels in the subdivision served by the access road.</li> <li>d. Provide a mechanism for the road maintenance association to collect delinquent payments or assessments for the maintenance described above by filing a lien on the delinquent properties with the power of sale.</li> <li>e. Provide a mechanism for new parcels to be added to the association.</li> </ul> <p>Public Works Recommendation</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	
<p>12. 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.</p> <p>§16.12.395, Mariposa County Subdivision Code</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	
<p>13. A road name sign for the onsite easement road shall be placed at the intersection of the onsite easement road and the off-site easement road prior to map recordation. The design and specifications of the sign shall be in accordance with the Mariposa County Improvement Standards and shall be approved by the County Engineer prior to installation.</p> <p>(Section 16.12.175, County Subdivision Ordinance)</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	
<p>14. A road name sign for the off-site easement road shall be placed at the intersection of the off-site easement road and Indian Peak Road prior to map recordation. The design and specifications of the sign shall be in accordance with the Mariposa County Improvement Standards and shall be approved</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	



by the County Engineer prior to installation. (Section 16.12.175, County Subdivision Ordinance)		
<b>CONDITION OF APPROVAL / MARIPOSA PLANNING</b>		
15. The onsite easement road shall be named in accordance with the criteria of County Resolution No. 92-541. A Road Name Request application shall be submitted to the Planning Department and be approved by the Planning Director. The name of the road within the project site shall be shown on the parcel map.  County Resolution 92-541	Mariposa Planning	
16. If LDA #1544 has not submitted a road name application for the off-site easement road prior to approval of this application, the off-site easement road shall be named in accordance with the criteria of County Resolution No. 92-541. A Road Name Request application shall be submitted to the Planning Department and be approved by the Board of Supervisors. The name of the road offsite to Indian Peak Road shall be shown on the parcel map.  County Resolution 92-541	Mariposa Planning	
17. Project approval is valid for a period of three years from December 17, 2004. This approval shall expire on December 17, 2007.  §16.12.430, Mariposa County Subdivision Code	Mariposa Planning	
18. 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 cashiers 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	Mariposa Planning	
19. Prior to recordation of the plat, the applicant shall provide evidence to the Mariposa County Health Department that the existing sewage disposal system serving the existing dwelling on	Mariposa Planning/ Environmental Health	

<p>proposed Parcel 1 is in a location that meets all setback requirements for the new parcel. Similarly, prior to recordation of the plat, the applicant shall provide evidence to the Mariposa County Planning Department that the existing structures on proposed Parcel 1 are in locations that meet all setback requirements for the new parcel. If the evidence shows that a parcel line cannot be placed between these structures and meet setback requirements, then either the structure shall be removed or the property line relocated prior to recordation of the plat.</p> <p>Mariposa Planning Recommendation</p>		
<b>CONDITION OF APPROVAL / MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT</b>		
<p>20. 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.</p> <p>Resource Conservation Recommendation</p>	NRCS/RCD	
<b>CONDITION OF APPROVAL/ MARIPOSA COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH</b>		
<p>21. Soil profile holes shall be excavated on Parcel 3 to the standards of the County Health Department and in the presence of the County Sanitarian, his authorized representative, or an authorized consultant to verify the feasibility of installing an on-site septic system on the parcels. If the County Sanitarian approves the parcel for septic disposal based on the soil profile holes, a letter from the County Sanitarian stating no additional tests are required and this condition has been fulfilled for that parcel shall be submitted to the County Surveyor.</p> <p>If the results of the soil profile holes do not demonstrate to the approval of the County Sanitarian that a conventional septic system can be installed on the parcel, percolation tests and additional soils analysis tests shall be performed on the parcel 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 Sanitarian prior to recordation of the parcel/final map. A letter from the County Sanitarian shall be submitted to the County Surveyor stating that approved percolation tests and soils analysis tests have been performed on the parcel(s). A statement shall be recorded in Official Records concurrently with the parcel map and</p>	Environmental Health	

<p>referenced on the parcel map as follows:</p> <p>"Approved percolation tests and soils analysis tests have been performed on Parcel 3 as shown on the Parcel Map for Reed and McKinney, 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 approved percolation tests, additional percolation tests and design recommendations may be required."</p> <p>(Section 16.12.330, County Subdivision Ordinance; Health Department Recommendation)</p>		
<p>22. Percolation tests and soils analysis tests shall be performed on Parcels 2 and 4 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 Sanitarian prior to recordation of the parcel map. A letter from the County Sanitarian shall be submitted to the County Surveyor stating that approved percolation tests and soils analysis tests have been performed on the parcel(s). A statement shall be recorded in Official Records concurrently with the parcel/final map and referenced on the parcel map as follows:</p> <p>"Approved percolation tests and soils analysis tests have been performed on Parcels 2 and 4 as shown on the Parcel Map for Reed and McKinney, 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."</p> <p>(Section 16.12.330, County Subdivision Ordinance; Health Department Recommendation)</p>	<p>Environmental Health</p>	
<b>REMAINDER CONDITIONS</b>		
<p>n/a</p>		
<b>RECOMMENDATION ON OFFERS OF DEDICATION</b>		
<p>Staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend that the Public Works Director accept the offer of dedication for public access and utilities, but reject the offer for public maintenance for the on-site access roads.</p> <p>Mariposa Planning Recommendation</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	

<p>Staff recommends that the Planning Commission recommend that the Public Works Director accept the offer of dedication for public access, utilities, and maintenance for the re-offer for dedication on Indian Peak and Sebastopol Roads within the project site.</p>	<p>Public Works</p>	
<p>Mariposa Planning Recommendation</p>		

<p><b>Agency Contact List</b></p>				
<p>AGENCY</p>	<p>CONTACT</p>	<p>PHONE NUMBER EMAIL</p>	<p>SITE ADDRESS</p>	<p>MAILING ADDRESS</p>
<p>Mariposa Planning</p>	<p>Megan Tennermann</p>	<p>209-742-1219 mtennermann@mariposacounty.org</p>	<p>5100 Bullion Street Mariposa CA 95338</p>	<p>P.O. Box 2039 Mariposa CA 95338</p>
<p>Public Works</p>	<p>Jerry Freeman</p>	<p>209-966-5356</p>	<p>4639 Ben Hur Road Mariposa CA 95338</p>	<p>Same as site</p>
<p>Health Department</p>	<p>Dave Conway</p>	<p>209-966-2220</p>	<p>5100 Bullion Street Mariposa CA 95338</p>	<p>P.O. Box 5 Mariposa CA 95338</p>
<p>Mariposa County Resource Conservation District</p>	<p>Jerry Progner</p>	<p>209-966-3431</p>	<p>5009 Fairgrounds Rd Mariposa CA 95338</p>	<p>P.O. Box 746 Mariposa CA 95338</p>
<p>County Assessor</p>	<p>Eddie Ellis</p>	<p>966-2332</p>	<p>4982 10th Street Mariposa CA 95338</p>	<p>P.O. Box 35 Mariposa CA 95338</p>
<p>County Fire</p>	<p>Blaine Shultz</p>	<p>209-966-4330</p>	<p>5082 Bullion Street Mariposa CA 95338</p>	<p>P.O. Box 162 Mariposa CA 95338</p>
<p>Cal. Dept of Forestry</p>	<p>Dennis Townsend</p>	<p>209-966-3622</p>	<p>5366 Highway 49 North Mariposa CA 95338</p>	<p>Same as site</p>

**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*.

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Environmental Coordinator

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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.