

FOWLER CREEK GUEST RANCH
EXHIBIT 24
ORIGINAL RURAL CHARACTER LEGAL CASE STATEMENT

In our original submission, we referenced a legal case titled *East Lake Sammamish Trail V. King County*, 193 Wn.2d 129 (2019) that detailed the use of a former rail line as a recreational trail in King County. We used the supposed conclusions from the case as the source to demonstrate our preservation of rural character and recreation in Fowler Creek Guest Ranch.

To find this case, we searched Gemini, Google's Artificial Intelligence software, submitting a series of questions relating to Washington State legal cases focusing on rural character and recreation. After our submission, it was brought to our attention that this case does not, in fact, exist. This is due to the fact that the AI program generated this fictitious case as a "hallucination". Due to this, we are formally stating that our reasonings in this exhibit, while still relevant to our proposed Fowler Creek Guest Ranch project, are not backed by real case law. This oversight does not reflect or impact the integrity of our submission.

An AI hallucination occurs when a large language model (LLM)—often a generative AI chatbot or computer vision tool—perceives patterns or objects that are nonexistent or imperceptible to human observers, creating outputs that are nonsensical or altogether inaccurate. While the term "hallucination" may seem paradoxical when applied to machines, it metaphorically captures the unexpected and sometimes surreal nature of these outputs. Just as humans might see shapes in clouds or faces on the moon, AI systems can generate plausible yet fictional information due to factors such as overfitting, training data bias, and high model complexity. These misinterpretations underscore the need for critical judgment when relying on AI-generated results in legal research or any other domain.

After this incident, we are not relying on outside research for legal support in our discussion. All case law references in this response were provided by James Carmody, Attorney at Meyer, Fluegge & Tenney, P.C.