

May 25, 2008

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Kittitas County Community Development Services
411 North Ruby Street – Suite 2
Ellensburg, Washington 98926



RE: Conditional Use Permit- Laukala Guest Ranch

To Whom It May Concern,

Our letter is in response to the public notice for any persons desiring to express views on the above mentioned application.

For the past 5 years we have owned property in the Elkhorn Ranch development. We built a home and have lived there for the past 3 years, enjoying the natural beauty and wildlife habitat of Secret Canyon.

We are active in the operation of the Elkhorn Ranch Homeowners Association, by serving on the Board of Directors and the Architectural Control Committee. We therefore feel we are in a unique position to speak to the effects the Laukala Guest Ranch may have on our environment.

It is our understanding the emphasis will be on teaching animal care skills, camping, responsible stewardship of environment respect for others, and most importantly, cultivating a personal relationship with Christ. We wholeheartedly support Mr. and Mrs. Laukala decision to operate this remarkable endeavor.

In talking with Mr. and Mrs. Laukala about this project we feel their approach to transporting guests from the entrance gate on Colockum Road to their property at the end of Secret Canyon Road will mitigate any excess road use, possible noise and/or pollutants from other vehicles. During the past 3 years the Laukala's have entertained family and friends numerous times at their home. We have never been disturbed by noise or trespass during these events. They have been exemplary neighbors. The care of their livestock and land is consistent and impressive.

Please note the application for this business is also congruous with the Elkhorn Ranch Declaration of Easements Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions; Section 14: Commercial Enterprises.

It is our hope this will prove to be a successful mission, therefore benefitting the Kittitas County community's many young adults and children. We heartily endorse this application.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Frank Conrad and Ann Conrad.

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Cc: Elkhorn Ranch Homeowner's Association