



## KITTITAS COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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### RE: Green Pasture Short Plat (SP-08-00053)

Dear Mr. Cruse,

The Kittitas County Community Development Services Department has determined that the Green Pasture Short Plat (SP-08-00053) is a complete application and hereby grants *conditional preliminary approval* subject to the following conditions:

1. Both sheets of the final mylars shall reflect short plat number SP-08-00053 and an accurate legal description shall be shown on the face of the final plat.
2. Full year's taxes must be paid on all tax parcel numbers per requirement of the Kittitas County Treasurer's Office.
3. The following plat notes shall be recorded on the final mylar drawings:
  - All development must comply with International Fire Code.
  - This short plat has exhausted the use of the one time split provision allowed per Kittitas County Code. No further one time splits are allowed for the subject parcels and subsequent parcels created via this short plat.
  - The subject property is within or near designated natural resource lands of long-term commercial significance on which a variety of commercial activities may occur that are not compatible with residential development for certain periods of limited duration (RCW 36.70A.060(1)). Commercial natural resource activities performed in accordance with county, state and federal laws are not subject to legal action as public nuisances (RCW 7.48.305).
  - Kittitas County relies on its record that a supply of potable water exists. The approval of this division of land includes no guarantee or assurance that there is a legal right to withdraw groundwater within this land division.
  - Kittitas County will not accept private roads for maintenance as public streets or roads until such streets or roads are brought into conformance with current County Road Standards. This requirement will include the hard surface paving of any street or road surfaced originally with gravel.
4. This property is within the Kittitas Reclamation District boundaries. Proof that all KRD general guidelines have been met for newly created lots shall be provided to Community Development Services prior to final approval.
5. This application proposes the utilization of shared wells which require the submittal of well logs or a hydro-geological report with documentation/evidence to support the claim regarding adequate availability of groundwater for the proposed number of potable water wells. This report shall be submitted by a professional engineer who practices in the field of hydrology or by a licensed hydro-geologist.
6. Lot 14B of the Green Pasture Short Plat has a PEMC wetland across the northwest corner of the property. The Final mylars shall reflect the location of this wetland and a statement on the plat shall read as follows: "Future development of lots may require a study by a certified wetland biologist to determine wetland classification and for buffer requirements pursuant to KCC Critical Areas Code."
7. Should ground disturbing or other activities related to the proposed short plat result in the inadvertent discovery of cultural or archaeological materials, work shall be stopped in the immediate area and contact be made with the Washington State DAHP. Work shall remain suspended until the find is assessed and appropriate consultation is

conducted. Should human remains be inadvertently discovered, as dictated by Washington State RCW 27.44.055, work shall be immediately halted in the area and contact made with the coroner and local law enforcement in the most expeditious manner possible.

8. Per Kittitas County Environmental Health, soil logs need to be performed and proof of water availability is needed. Evidence of both shall be provided to Community Development Services prior to final approval.
9. The addresses shall be clearly visible from both directions at the county road for all properties.
10. The Fire Department access road shall be capable of supporting 75,000 lbs in all weather, be 20' wide, provide 13'6" vertical clearance and provide for adequate turn-around for fire department apparatus.
11. Please refer to the comments from Kittitas County Department of Public Works transmitted on January 27, 2009 for plat notes and further issues that must be addressed prior to final approval.

Approval of the Green Pasture Short Plat may be appealed to the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners upon request of any aggrieved party within 10 working days, and shall accordingly be eligible for final administrative approval after August 2, 2010. Administratively approved short plats must be recorded with the County Auditor and shall not be deemed approved until so filed. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office.

**You may appeal this determination pursuant to KCC 15A.07.010 by submitting specific factual objections and a fee of \$500 to the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners (205 W. 5<sup>th</sup>, Room 108) by August 2, 2010 at 5:00p.m.**

Sincerely,



Jeff Watson  
Staff Planner

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CC: Applicant  
Required parties (KCC 15A)