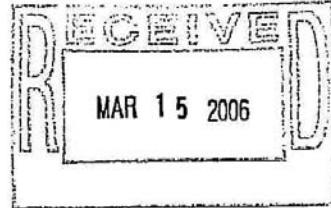


Letter 31

MEMORANDUM



March 12, 2006

To: City of Rocklin
Planning Department

Fr: Larry Menth
Planning Commissioner

Re: Clover Valley
Preliminary EIR

- 31-1 This memorandum is further clarification of my earlier comments regarding the impact of development on designated cultural resources. I have seen first hand in my own neighborhood the degradation of cultural resources in the maltreatment of grinding rock areas and the destruction of "rock walls" traversing the green belt areas. It is with this in mind that I make the following comments and observations.
- 31-2
- 31-3
- 31-4
- 31-5
- 31-6
- 31-7
- 31-8
- Cultural awareness must be mandated not only for preliminary development but for on-going inhabitants as well.
 - While I recognize the double-edged nature of the comment, all sites need to be designated, evaluated, cataloged, and protected.
 - Cultural protections should be in place as part of any deeded transfer of lands occupied by residents, as mitigation of the development's significant impact.
 - What culturally sensitive sites will be impacted by individual, small-lot development?
 - What type of fencing is contemplated as protective measures for these sites, how will the fencing be maintained and what types of enforcement mechanisms are available to the City to ensure these sites suffer little or no degradation?
 - What locations are to be impacted by infrastructure construction, and to what degree?
 - What consideration, if any, was given to establishing a "cultural center" wherein culturally sensitive artifacts could be collected and displayed? Establishing such a facility may adequately address concerns for the impact of development on the valley.
- Rocklin's heritage is just not from the gold-rush or railroad days, but extends back hundreds, if not thousands of years. To be less than thorough in our assessment of that history is to a disservice to both the past and the present. It is incumbent upon the City to protect and enhance our cultural resources. If this area is to be developed it must be done so with that in mind, and due consideration must be give to those who populated the area before us.

S/Larry Menth

LETTER 31: MENTH, LARRY, PLANNING COMMISSIONER

Response to Comment 31-1

This is an introductory comment which precludes the following, more specific comments regarding the loss of cultural resources.

Response to Comment 31-2

Long-term measures are being developed for the protection of resources, see Master Response 7 – Cultural Resources.

Response to Comment 31-3

The federal process provides for the identification, evaluation and protection of sites to the degree possible, see Master Response 7 – Cultural Resources.

Response to Comment 31-4

This will be handled in the Historic Properties Treatment Plan (HPTP) and the Historic Properties Management Plan (HPMP), see Master Response 7 – Cultural Resources.

Response to Comment 31-5

This will be handled in the HPTP and HPMP, see Master Response 7 – Cultural Resources.

Response to Comment 31-6

Fencing will be installed to prevent incidental pedestrian access, but will be designed to avoid drawing attention to the resources. The majority of the sensitive cultural sites will be owned and maintained by the UAIC, so the City will have no direct authority to police the sites. However, all areas must be maintained and protected as set forth in the Historic Properties Treatment Plan and the Historic Properties Management Plan. Prosecution of trespassers or vandals is not an appropriate topic for environmental review and does not address the adequacy of the DEIR.

Response to Comment 31-7

At this time, it is proposed that the artifacts may be given to the UAIC. It will be up to them to determine the need for interpretive displays.

Response to Comment 31-8

This comment does not address the adequacy of the DEIR.

Letter 32

David Mohlenbrok

From: Bill Templin [wtemplin@surewest.net]
Sent: Wednesday, March 08, 2006 1:54 PM
To: David Mohlenbrok
Subject: Clover Valley protection...

Dear David,

32-1

I have been following the Protect Clover Valley campaign from a distance for almost 2 years now, and I finally recently had the opportunity to hike through Clover Valley. I am amazed that this area hasn't already been set aside as a State Park or Monument due to the historic Native American activity that has obviously taken place here.

32-2

What a treasure this area is!

If your development projects would do anything to destroy this treasured area I would suggest that it should be reconsidered and all possible avenues should be pursued for preserving this area for public access and protection!

Thanks for your consideration. If I can be of further assistance, please ask.

Respectfully,

Bill Templin
Watershed Coordinator
North Fork American River Watershed
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wtemplin@surewest.net

03/08/2006

LETTER 32: NORTH FORK AMERICAN RIVER WATERSHED GROUP

Response to Comment 32-1

The comment does not address the adequacy of the RDEIR.

Response to Comment 32-1

The comment does not address the adequacy of the RDEIR.

Sherri Abbas

Letter 33

From: Steigmeyer, Robert [RLSz@pge.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 09, 2006 11:16 AM
To: Sherri Abbas
Subject: Clover Valley Sub'd. Reticulated Draft EIR

Dear Planning:

PG&E has no new comments concerning this notice.
PG&E is both the gas and electric service provider for this area.
Expansion of PG&E's gas and electric distribution lines and, related facilities, will be a necessary consequence of this development.

33-1

It appears the majority of such growth will be limited to the development area.
Sincerely,

Robert Steigmeyer
PG&E
Land Services
343 Sacramento Street
Auburn, CA 95603
530/889-3131, office
530/889-3392, fax
8/732-3131 internal

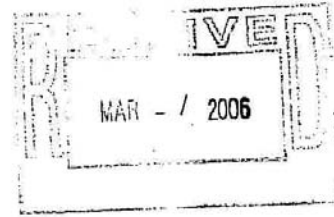
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LETTER 33: PG&E, LAND SERVICES

Response to Comment 33-1

The comment does not address the adequacy of the RDEIR.

Letter 34



4 March, 2008

Rocklin City Planning Department
City Hall
3970 Rocklin Road
Rocklin, CA 95677

Dear Rocklin City Mayor, City Council Members and City Planning Department,

34-1 Protect American River Canyons would like to comment on the EIR for the proposed Clover Valley Development. PARC's major areas of concern that the EIR does not adequately address are the potential degradation of the water quality of Clover Valley Creek; loss of wildlife habitat and extermination of Native American cultural resources.

34-2 The only way to maintain the water quality of Clover Valley Stream is to require that development be excluded from the 100 year flood plain plus 100 feet. The in-stream detention ponds also set the stage for catastrophic sedimentation and pollution during the seasonal high water flows. Alternately, the in-stream sedimentation ponds could serve to concentrate pollutants during dry periods. The cumulative effects of the development are not adequately addressed. Development close to the creek has ramifications not stream only in the project area but in the entire Clover Valley watershed.

34-3 The wildlife of Clover Valley is extraordinary. It's the stuff that imax movies are made of. Measures should be taken to protect this most valuable resource. Steelhead habitat in the stream must be thoroughly studied, identified and protected. To no lesser degree western pond turtles and Swanson hawks must have their habitat protected from further destruction. The coyotes of Clover Valley have a mythological presence that should not be overlooked.

34-4 It is shameful that the developer intends to mitigate the most significant Native American cultural resource of our area by paving and developing over sites as a means of protection. Quite simply all of these cultural resources should be completely avoided and protected. No development should be allowed on top of around or through the archeological sites of this most significant valley.

34-5 Due to the extensive problems associated with the development of Clover Valley PARC concurs with the Save the Clover Valley Group's vision that the valley should be left undeveloped except to establish it as a living California museum. A non-invasive very low impact trails system that emphasizes interpretive and educational opportunities would be the best and wisest future for the City of Rocklin to pursue in Clover Valley.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Clover Valley EIR.

Sincerely,


Eric Peach

PARC Conservation Chairman

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Protect American River Canyons is dedicated to the protection and conservation of the natural, recreational, cultural, and

LETTER 34: PROTECT AMERICAN RIVER CANYONS

Response to Comment 34-1

The comment refers to areas of concern within the RDEIR, but does not provide specific comments.

Response to Comment 34-2

See Section 1 of Master Response 2 – Land Use.

Response to Comment 34-3

Please see Impact Statement 4.8I-15 in the RDEIR (pp. 4.8-53 through 4.8-56) for a discussion of special-status fish species and associated habitat. Impacts to northwestern pond turtles and raptors (including Swainson’s hawk) are addressed in Impact Statements 4.8I-12 and 4.8I-10, respectively.

It should be noted that the RDEIR finds project-related cumulative impacts to biological resources to be significant and unavoidable. See also Section 1 of Master Response 8 – Biological Resources.

Response to Comment 34-4

As noted in Impact Statement 4.7I-1 of the RDEIR (pp. 4.7-33 to -34), the proposed project has been revised several times in order to avoid and/or protect known cultural resources; however, not all on-site cultural resources can be avoided through project design. Therefore, the RDEIR identifies project-related impacts to on-site cultural resources as potentially significant. Because complete avoidance of all archaeological sites on the project site would not constitute “feasible” mitigation as defined in CEQA Guidelines Section 15364, the applicant would mitigate impacts to cultural resources by implementing Mitigation Measures 4.7MM-1, -3, and -4 in the RDEIR (see CEQA Guidelines Section 15126.4[b][3][C]).

Response to Comment 34-5

The comment does not address the adequacy of the RDEIR.

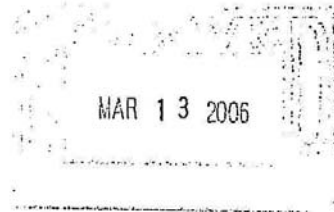


Letter 35

REGENT

March 10, 2006

Sherri Abbas
Planning Services Manager
City of Rocklin
3970 Rocklin Road
Rocklin, CA 95677



Re: Recirculated Draft EIR for the Clover Valley Subdivision Project
(SCH# 93122077)

Dear Sherri:

35-1

I am General Counsel to Regent Development, Inc., which has several affiliated entities including Thomas Holdings, LLC. Thomas Holdings owns and operates the Sunset Whitney Country Club (SWCC), having recently acquired it from the Kaveney Family Partnership. I write on behalf of Thomas Holdings with respect to the above-mentioned draft report.

35-2

As I understand the draft report, the project will include construction of an off-site sewer line and different alignment options are being considered. Some of those options would require easements upon or across the golf course at SWCC. Please be advised that the owner of the affected lands has not agreed to any such easement and that we have not had any discussions with the project applicant. The owner further demands that notice of this fact be made available to all concerned and that such persons be disabused of any notion that the owner has agreed to surrender any of its rights.

It would be appreciated if you would include a copy of this notice in any final report. Should you have any additional questions or concerns regarding this matter, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Rick Oshinski
General Counsel

LETTER 35: REGENT DEVELOPMENT, INC.

Response to Comment 35-1

The comment does not address the adequacy of the RDEIR.

Response to Comment 35-2

Access to the property is a project-design issue and is not considered to be part of an environmental impact. Therefore, this comment does not address the adequacy of the RDEIR and will be forwarded to the appropriate decision-making bodies.

Letter 36

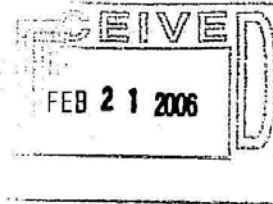
ROCKLIN PARK PLACE CONDOMINIUMS OWNERS ASSOCIATION

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February 16, 2006

Mr. David Mohlenbrok
City of Rocklin Community
Development Department
3970 Rocklin Road
Rocklin CA 95677



Re: Comment on the Re-circulated Draft
EIR Report of January 2006 for Clover
Valley Subdivision Project

This letter is written on behalf of the Homeowners Association of Park Place, located on Park Drive in Rocklin.

36-1 In the five years of our Association's existence, our residents have experienced an enormous increase of traffic noise and pollution. There are many children living here who walk from Park Place to Twin Oaks Elementary School, Rocklin High School and Granite Oaks Middle School and we are concerned for their safety, due to traffic increases and speeds, as they traverse Park Drive and Stanford Ranch Road during the busiest hours of the day.

36-2 If Valley View Parkway goes forward we foresee greatly increased asthma and respiratory problems, as well as the devastating prospect of the injury or death of a child. Adding 16,000 vehicles from Lincoln to the Park Drive corridor will negatively impact the value of our homes and our quality of life, particularly for those units in our complex overlooking this thoroughfare. Presently, the noise is extreme and we have seen a great turnover in ownership this past year, especially on Marvin Gardens Way, which over looks Park Drive.

36-4 It is our understanding that the California Environmental Quality Act guidelines state that the city of Rocklin, must inform the community of traffic impacts for this project. Therefore, we respectfully take issue with the lack of information provided in the Transportation and Circulation Section 4.4 of the Draft EIR. It provides no information regarding current volumes of traffic at the intersections of Wyckford, Stanford Ranch or Victory Drives and no projections for this entire area. During the first two weeks of January 2006 a traffic study with wires stretched across Park Drive near Victory Drive was done, presumably for the City. We request the results of this study be made public.

36-5 Section 4.5 Air Quality in the DEIR states that it is currently known that existing cumulative air pollutants in our region increases the likelihood that individuals will experience increases in respiratory diseases. The same section states, in conclusion, that "the long-term cumulative air quality impacts of the project would therefore be considered SIGNIFICANT."

36-6 Finally, we strongly request that the City provide projections of the traffic impacts along Park Drive, not only from the Clover Valley Lakes Project but also from Lincoln and Loomis, to the residents of Stanford Ranch as they relate to pedestrian safety, noise, air pollution, and property values. We urge the City to reconsider this project and opt for a regional park.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Howard Knapp".

Howard Knapp
President of Park Place Homeowners Association

LETTER 36: ROCKLIN PARK PLACE CONDOMINIUMS OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Response to Comment 36-1

The comment does not address the adequacy of the RDEIR.

Response to Comment 36-2

The comment does not address the adequacy of the RDEIR.

Response to Comment 36-3

The comment does not address the adequacy of the RDEIR.

Response to Comment 36-4

Please refer to the response to comment 28-1 and Master Response 4 - Traffic.

Response to Comment 36-5

The comment correctly notes that the RDEIR identifies project-related cumulative air quality impacts as significant and unavoidable.

Response to Comment 36-6

Please refer to the response to comment 28-1.



Letter 37

January 20, 2006

JAN 20 2006

Mr. David N. Mohlenbrok
Senior Planner
City of Rocklin
3970 Rocklin Rd.
Rocklin, CA 95677

Dear Mr. Mohlenbrok:

On behalf of a dedicated group of community volunteers, the Save Clover Valley Coalition, I am writing to ask for an extension of the comment period for the Notice of Public Review and Availability of the REIR for the Clover Valley Subdivision Project (sch# 93122077).

37-1

The reason for our request is, we believe, compelling: the REIR is an extremely large and technical document – encompassing two volumes. Further, the size of the REIR is larger than the EIR presented to the community, concerning development of Clover Valley, in late summer of 2002. At that time, the city was understanding of the requests made to lengthen the time for public comment – from 45 to 60 days. Simply stated, the citizenry, especially, need sufficient time to read, process and formulate comments.

May I remind the Rocklin planners of the ‘spirit of the law’ behind California’s Environmental Quality Act? CEQA was enacted 35 years ago to provide all parties, especially citizens, the ability to be involved in environmental projects that could impact their communities. The Save Clover Valley Coalition believes an extension of the public comment period will offer all parties necessary time to review the gigantic REIR.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Allison Miller
Chair

Cc: Marilyn Jasper, President, Clover Valley Foundation
Doug Elmets, Elmets Communication



LETTER 37: SAVE CLOVER VALLEY (JANUARY 20, 2006)

Response to Comment 37-1

In response to the commenter's request, the City of Rocklin extended the public comment period on the RDEIR by nine (9) days to March 15, 2006.

Letter 38



Case Details

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Case Number: 16926

Status: Resolved

Customer: O'Deegan, Elaine

Location of Request:



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Preferred Contact Method: Email

Request Type: Suggestion

Submitted By: O'Deegan, Elaine
customer

Primary Owner: Abbas,
Sherri

Topic: Planning Commission >
Planning Commission

Date/Time Created: 01/25/2006
21:22

Date/Time Closed: 01/26/2006
14:30

Original Request

The Save Clover Valley Organization would like to request a 6 week extension for the comment period for the DEIR for Clover Valley Lakes Development. We believe it is very important that the people of Rocklin be given adequate time to review this very large document. We would also like to request that this document be placed on your website so that it is easily available to everybody in Rocklin and the surrounding areas that would comment on this DEIR. Thank you. Elaine O'Deegan
saveclovervalley.org

38-1

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Internal Notes

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Attachments

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LETTER 38: SAVE CLOVER VALLEY (JANUARY 26, 2006)

Response to Comment 38-1

In response to the commenter's request, the City of Rocklin extended the public comment period on the RDEIR by nine (9) days to March 15, 2006.