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Diamond Springs and El Dorado Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

C/O Bob Smart, Chairperson
Diamond Springs Fire Station
501 Main Street
Diamond Springs, CA 95916

Subject: Community Planning – Diamond Springs and El Dorado

Dear Mr. Smart,

Thank you for the opportunity to meet with you and members of the CAC on August 21, 2014 regarding the County's draft Community Planning Guide as well as to discuss community planning efforts for the communities of Diamond Springs and El Dorado. The purpose of this letter is to acknowledge the valuable work the CAC and community members have completed to date and to affirm, with the support of the Board of Supervisors, staff is committed to supporting continued community planning efforts for the communities of Diamond Springs and El Dorado.

Staff recognizes that the communities of El Dorado and Diamond Springs have a keen interest in planning their futures. To date, our understanding of completed community planning efforts have included:

- Adoption of a Board of Supervisors Resolution of Intention (No. 179-2010) to include a historic design control zone district for the communities of Diamond Springs and El Dorado, currently included in the Targeted General Plan Amendment/Zoning Ordinance Update (TGPA-ZOU) project,
- Support and review of the TGPA-ZOU Mixed Use Development Guide,
- Development of community visioning and value statements,
- Facilitating adoption of the Missouri Flat Design Guidelines,
- Various community outreach efforts,
- The completion of the El Dorado/Diamond Springs Mobility and Livable Community Plan
- Other efforts as described in CAC communications with staff.

Together, these efforts and documents constitute a strong foundation toward community plan(s) for El Dorado and Diamond Springs.

In addition, staff is in receipt of the CAC's letter, requesting minor amendments to the adopted Missouri Flat Design Guidelines, including removal of the "Alpine/Mountain" design concept (removing references from Table of Contents and Sections 1.6, 2.1 and 2.3) and to remove the building entry design photograph (Section 3.4.G), commonly referred to as the "flying nun" photograph. As these changes are administrative in nature, staff has prepared draft changes to

address both requests. Upon final approval by the CAC and the Board of Supervisors, future publications of this document would be updated to include these revisions.

Further, in response to questions from the CAC and community members, staff wishes to reaffirm that the ongoing TGPA-ZOU project is a separate process and that community planning is not dependent on the status of the TGPA-ZOU project. Therefore, the community planning process may continue to move forward, regardless of the status of the TGPA-ZOU.

If you have any questions, please contact either myself at 530-621-5903, or Anne Novotny at 530-621-5931.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Tom Purciel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Tom" and last name "Purciel" clearly legible.

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