#### MONTEREY COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

<b>Meeting</b> : July 28, 2010 <b>Time:</b> 9:00 A.M.	Agenda Item No.: 1				
Project Description: Previously heard on April					
consisting of 1) Coastal Administrative Permit and D	esign Approval to allow the demolition of an				
existing 1,529 square foot single family dwelling and	the construction of a 3,676 square foot, three				
level single family dwelling with 1,284 square feet	located completely below grade (777 square				
foot basement and 505 square foot garage); 2) Coast	al Development Permit for development on a				
parcel with positive archaeological reports; 3) Coast	tal Development Permit for the removal of a				
48" planted and diseased Cypress tree; replacement of	of a 6 foot high, 158 linear foot retaining wall				
at the rear of the property and continued around the	ree sides of the property; grading (322 cubic				
yards cut). The property is located at 26478 Carmele	o Street, Carmel Area Land Use Plan, Coastal				
Zone.					
Project Location: 26478 Carmelo Street, Carmel	<b>APN:</b> 009-471-024-000				
Diaming File Nymbon, DI N000266	Owner: Steven Polkow				
Planning File Number: PLN080266	Agent: Dana Annereau				
Planning Area: Carmel Area Land Use Plan	Flagged and staked: Yes				
Zoning Designation: : "MDR/2-D (18) (CZ)" Medium Density Residential, 2 units per acre-					
Design Control District, (18 Foot Height Limit) in the Coastal Zone					
CEOA Action: Mitigated Negative Declaration					

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**Department:** RMA - Planning Department

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission adopt a resolution (Exhibit C) to:

- 1) Adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration (**Exhibit F**) with Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Plan (**Exhibit C-1**);
- Approve PLN080266, to allow demolition of the existing 1,529 square foot single family dwelling, construction of a new 3,676 square foot single family dwelling with 1,284 square feet located completely below grade; associated grading and removal of one planted Monterey Cypress tree, based on the findings and evidence (Exhibit C) and subject to the conditions of approval (Exhibit C-1); and
- Deny the request to replace the 6 foot high, 158 linear foot retaining wall at the rear of the property:

#### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

This project was considered by the Planning Commission on April 28, 2010. The item was continued due to concerns about impacts to archaeological resources in a very sensitive location. The Planning Commission cited Carmel Area Land Use Plan policy 2.8.3.4 which requires avoidance or substantial minimization of impacts to archaeological resources.

The Planning Commission determined that the project did not meet the intent of Policy 2.8.3.4 of the Carmel Area Land Use Plan, and voted to continue the item to a date uncertain in order to "give the applicant the opportunity to redesign the project to comply with the plan policy".

The applicant has not redesigned the structure, but submitted revisions that reduce the amount of grading for the foundation and driveway. This would substantially reduce the amount of excavation as compared to the original submission. The foundation driveway slope revisions reduce the excavation from 890 cubic yards to 322 cubic yards. The previous project plans included 500 cubic yards of cut and 50 cubic yards of fill, not 890 cubic yards.

For a more detailed discussion see Exhibit B.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT: The following agencies and departments reviewed this project:

- $\sqrt{}$ RMA - Public Works Department Environmental Health Division
- Water Resources Agency
- Cypress Fire Protection District
- Parks Department California Coastal Commission

Agencies that submitted comments are noted with a check mark ("\forall""). Conditions recommended by Public Works, Water Resources Agency, Cypress Fire Protection District and Parks Department have been incorporated into the Condition Compliance/Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan attached as Exhibit 1 to the draft resolution (Exhibit C).

Note: The decision on this project is appealable to the Board of Supervisors and the California Coastal Commission.

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cc: Front Counter Copy; Planning Commission; Cypress Fire Protection District; Public Works Department; Parks Department; Environmental Health Division; Water Resources Agency; California Coastal Commission; John Ford, Planning Services Manager; Laura Lawrence, Planning Services Manager; Elizabeth Gonzales, Project Planner; Carol Allen, Senior Secretary; Steven Polkow, Owner; Dana Annareau, Agent; Louise M. Ramirez, Chairperson for OCEN Tribe; Planning File PLN080266

Attachments: Exhibit A Project Data Sheet

Exhibit B **Project Discussion** 

Exhibit C Draft Resolution, including:

- 1. Conditions of Approval and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
- 2. Site Plan, Floor Plan and Elevations, Parcel Map, Tentative Map

Exhibit D Vicinity Map

Exhibit E Advisory Committee Minutes (LUAC)

Exhibit F Mitigated Negative Declaration

Exhibit G Comments on Mitigated Negative Declaration

Synopsis of Archaeological Reports Exhibit H Additional Supporting Correspondence Exhibit I

This report was reviewed by John Ford, Planning Services

Polkow (PLN080266)

## EXHIBIT B PROJECT DISCUSSION PLN080266/Polkow

#### A. DISCUSSION AND MOTION FROM PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING:

On April 28, 2010, the discussion focused on the archaeological sensitivity of the site. The Parcel is within a State defined archaeological site (CA MNT 17) and a cranium fragment has been recovered from this parcel. The Commission discussed the mitigation measures proposed in the Mitigated Negative Declaration and staff's analysis of the proposed project. The Commission was divided on whether the project was in compliance with the Carmel Area Land Use Plan Policy 2.8.3.4 which requires avoidance of archaeological sites and where avoidance is not possible to substantially minimize the impacts. Some of the Commission thought that the project with the mitigation was acceptable, while others did not. The Commission was deadlocked at 4-4 on a motion to approve or deny the project.

After some consideration, the Commission continued the item with direction to submit a redesign to better meet the Carmel Area Land Use Plan policy 2.8.3.4 to substantially minimize or avoid the impact to this cultural site. The Commission expressed their understanding that grading would be needed to provide adequate access and parking on site as these do not currently exist. In continuing the item the Commission expressed a desire to see a redesign that limited the impacts to only what is necessary for development of the site.

The Carmel Area Land Use Plan, Policy 2.8.3.4, specifically states, "When developments are proposed for parcels where archaeological or other cultural sites are located, project design shall be required which avoids or substantially minimizes impacts to such cultural sites. To this end, emphasis should be placed on preserving the entire site rather than on excavation of the resources, particularly where the site has potential religious significance."

This policy has two components, first is avoidance which inclines toward not causing an impact unless it is necessary for the development of the site. When disturbance is necessary, the policy calls for the design to "substantially minimize" the grading needed to provide essential components of the project. Some of the Commission expressed concern as to whether a basement could be considered necessary. A basement is not necessary to redevelop this property, but there has been a trend on the Carmel Point for larger houses which include basements as additional living area.

#### B. REVISED PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The applicant did not redesign the structure, but submitted revisions that reduce the amount of earth disturbance. This is accomplished by the following changes:

- Redesigned the foundation to be a structural, concrete slab avoiding approximately 5 feet of excavation and compaction under the foundation;
- Redesigned the driveway so that pavers are used on sand which avoids 2 feet of excavation and compaction;
- Redesigned driveway with an increase in grade to reduce excavation.

These modifications reduce the amount of earth disturbance from 890 cubic yards to 322 cubic yards. It should be noted that the previous application included 500 cubic yards of cut and 50 cubic yards of fill, not 890 cubic yards. The previous estimates did not include the amount of over excavation which would be necessary for construction of the project. The design of the structure is essentially the same including the basement.

The applicant contends that because the footprint of the proposed house will match the existing house that the impacts to cultural resources will be minimized. The current house has a crawl space underneath the house so there have already been substantial impacts to the site. The revised foundation plan calls for the basement and garage to be built substantially in the same footprint as the existing house so a great deal of disturbance has already occurred.

In order to demonstrate that the existing grading has already impacted the site, the project designer submitted cross sections depicting:

- Profile 1 "Assumed Midden Layer at Original Dune" a hypothetical depiction of the midden level in relationship to the surface contour.
- Profile 2 "Assumed Midden Layer, Test Unit, Existing House" shows the relationship of the assumed midden layer to the existing house. This shows that the existing house has already encroached into the midden layer toward the rear of the property.
- Profile 3 "Assumed location of Midden Layer at Revised Residence" illustrates the relationship of the assumed midden layer to the proposed development. This shows that the garage and the driveway will likely impact the midden layer, but the location of the basement is in an area where it is likely that the midden layer has already been substantially disturbed.

These cross sections showing the midden layer was extrapolated the from Test Unit excavation performed at the property in November 2009 by Robert Cartier Ph.D. Ideally, more testing would need to be accomplished to show that the midden layer is consistent as shown on these cross sections. One point of reference is not sufficient.

For this particular site, during construction of a retaining wall in 2006, an archaeological monitoring report was prepared by Susan Morely. In this report, Ms. Morely identifies the location of the midden layer within the soil profile. She describes that midden soils were discovered at 120 cm below the surface of the dune above the retaining wall and 33 cm below existing grade of the project parcel. This would place the midden layer between 4 feet and  $6\frac{1}{2}$  feet below the sand.

Based on the test unit and Ms. Morley's assessment of the archaeological find, one could assume that the cross sections submitted by the applicant could be a reasonably accurate depiction of where the midden layer is located. These provide two points of reference which correspond to the cross section submitted by the applicant.

A letter from the archaeologist, Robert Cartier, Ph.D., dated June 18, 2010, states that his office has studied the revisions, including the use of a structural concrete slab, the use of pavers on sand for the driveway, and making the driveway steeper. The archaeologist concludes that these changes significantly reduce the impact of the project from the original plan. The existing crawlspace under the house and foundation make the proposed garage/basement, from an archaeological standpoint, a heavily disturbed building area.

#### C. ANALYSIS

The continuance of this item was to allow the applicant to redesign the proposed house to avoid impacts to archaeological resources. This action was to achieve consistency with Carmel Area Land Use policy 2.8.3.4 which requires avoidance. The only way to truly avoid archaeological resources is to not excavate earth to allow development unless it is absolutely necessary. The basement is clearly not necessary to develop on this parcel, but is something the applicant desires. A strict interpretation of the policy would find that the basement is inappropriate in this archaeologically sensitive location. However, in this particular situation, the question which must be asked is what is it that needs to be avoided? If the midden layer has already been removed in the location where the basement is proposed, then there is nothing there to avoid. In such a situation, the basement could be approved and still be in compliance with the policy.

The information presented by the applicant shows that the proposed grading will encroach into an intact midden layer for the garage and for the driveway. These are necessary improvements and the land use plan policy in this situation calls for the amount of grading to be substantially minimized. The applicant has raised the grade of the driveway, and reduced the amount of soil to be excavated.

The decision before the Planning Commission is to determine if the information submitted by the applicant adequately demonstrates that the applicant has avoided and/or substantially minimized impacts to archaeological resources.

#### D. RECOMMENDATION.

Staff recommends that the Planning Commission find that the project as proposed is consistent with the requirements of the Carmel Area Land Use Plan Policy 2.8.3.4. This recommendation is based upon the information that a portion of the midden layer under the basement has already been impacted by the existing development and that the applicant's plans substantially minimize the amount of grading. Staff does recommend that the two conditions/mitigations (#26/MM #6 and #28/MM #8) be revised for the project which would limit the amount of excavation and grading to 322 cubic yards. In addition, all other mitigation measures contained in the Mitigated Negative Declaration should be kept in place. The grading for the garage and driveway will impact the undisturbed portion of the midden layer and there could still be midden deposits in the location of the basement.

Staff continues to recommend denial of the replacement of a 6 foot high retaining wall at the rear of the property as this is the location where we know that there is at least a portion of a human remain.

### EXHIBIT C DRAFT RESOLUTION

## Before the Planning Commission in and for the County of Monterey, State of California

In the matter of the application of:

Steven & Maria Polkow (PLN080266) RESOLUTION NO. ----

Resolution by the Monterey County Planning Commission:

- 1) Adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration with Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Plan;
- 2) Approving a Combined Development Permit consisting of 1) Coastal Administrative Permit and Design Approval to allow the demolition of an existing 1,529 square foot single family dwelling and the construction of a 3,676 square foot, three level single family dwelling with 1,284 square feet located completely below grade and associated grading of approximately 322 cubic yard cut; 2) Coastal Development Permit for development on a parcel with positive archaeological reports; 3) Coastal Development Permit for the removal of a 48" planted and diseased Cypress tree.

[PLN080266, Polkow, 26478 Carmelo Street, Carmel, Carmel Land Use Plan (APN: 009-471-024-000)]

The Polkow application (PLN080266) came on for public hearing before the Monterey County Planning Commission on July 28, 2010. Having considered all the written and documentary evidence, the administrative record, the staff report, oral testimony, and other evidence presented, the Planning Commission finds and decides as follows:

#### **FINDINGS**

1. **FINDING: CONSISTENCY** – The Project, as conditioned, is consistent with the

applicable plans and policies which designate this area as appropriate

for development.

**EVIDENCE:** a) Plan Conformance During the course of review of this application, the project has been reviewed for consistency with the text, policies, and

regulations in:

- the Monterey County General Plan,
- Carmel Area Land Use Plan (CLUP),
- Coastal Implementation Plan Part 4,

- Monterey County Zoning Ordinance (Title 20)
  No conflicts were found to exist. No communications were received during the course of review of the project indicating any inconsistencies with the text, policies, and regulations in these documents.
- b) Zoning Consistency The property is located at 26478 Carmelo Street, Carmel (Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000), Carmel Area Land Use Plan. The parcel is zoned Medium Density Residential, 2 units per acre, with a Design Control Overlay and an 18 foot height limit in the Coastal Zone (MDR/2-D (18) (CZ)), which allows development of the first single family dwelling on a lot subject to a Coastal Administrative permit in each case. Therefore, the project is an allowed land use for this site.
- c) Zoning Overlays The site is subject to Design review with an 18 foot height limit. The Polkow project has been reviewed for siting, design, colors, materials, and height. The proposed project meets the development standards of the Zoning district including height, setback, lot coverage, and floor area ratio and the proposed colors and materials are appropriate for the site and the neighborhood.
- d) <u>Site Visits</u> The project planner conducted site inspections on August 18, 2009 and March 30, 2010 to verify that the project on the subject parcel conforms to the plans listed above.
- Viewshed The Polkow property is visible from Scenic Road and Carmel State Beach. Areas visible from Scenic Road are subject to the Viewshed policies of the Carmel Land Use Plan (Policy 2.2.2 CLUP). The Polkow application complies with the public viewshed policies and has been designed to meet the 18 foot height limit, make use of appropriate exterior treatments consistent with the neighborhood to help blend the structure into the environment (Policy 2.2.3.6 CLUP), and has been sited appropriately within the required setbacks as property is not large enough to consider alternative siting (Policy 2.2.3.4 CLUP). The house sits on a modest-sized lot up above the road and for this reason is not readily visible. It is located in a residential neighborhood with dwellings of similar size and character and is consistent with the view scape on the east side of Scenic Road. The house is being set back off the road approximately 49 feet, and the second story element of the house is set back from the front portion which reduces the visibility of the two story element of the house. These views will not be substantially affected.
- f) Archaeological Resources The subject property is located within a "high" archaeological sensitivity zone. Pursuant to Section 20.146.090 of the Coastal Implementation Plan Part 4, an archaeological survey was required for the proposed development. Background research of reports prepared for the property revealed that previous development has produced significant archaeological resources. So that the extent of the resources could be understood and for evaluation of the project impacts, a sample test hole was dug in the presence of an archaeologist, and the Most Likely Descendent identified by the Native American Heritage Commission. The testing performed yielded archaeological midden consisting of shells and fire cracked rock. Midden is generally not

- considered to be a significant archaeological resource in itself. Given the known location of significant resources at the site which is not within the proposed house footprint and the negative testing results, it is anticipated that the basement for the proposed dwelling will be excavated without disturbing significant archaeological resources because of the disturbed nature of the site with an existing dwelling located on the same general footprint. An Initial Study was prepared for the proposed development. Mitigation Measures were identified in the Initial Study and have been made conditions of approval for this project (Policy 2.8.4.6 CLUP).
- g) Because it is known that the cranium and perhaps other portions of the body are behind that wall, it is inappropriate to remove and rebuild the existing retaining wall. Revised site plans to require the retaining wall to remain intact shall be required prior to issuance of building/grading permits. (Condition #24/MM #4) Additionally, consistent with policy 2.8.3 CLUP, a condition requiring an archaeological easement over the area where resources have been identified are been included in this project (Condition #6). (See also Finding 5)
- h) Carmel Area Land Use Plan Policy 2.8.3.4 requires that a project in a location known to have archaeological resources avoid impacting the resources or where avoidance is not possible to substantially minimize impacts to the resources. The location of the basement is in a location where the midden layer has already be largely removed or impacted by existing development. The garage and driveway (necessary improvements required by the Zoning Ordinance) have the potential to impact intact archaeological resources, but as these are necessary improvements, the applicant has redesigned the project to minimize the amount of earth disturbance. Conditions of Approval/Mitigation Measures have been revised to limit the amount of grading on site to insure consistency with this policy. (Condition #26/MM #6 & Condition #28/MM #8) In addition, mitigation measures have been added to protect the discovery of cultural resources.
- i) Historic Resources The proposed project includes the demolition of an existing single family dwelling. While the Assessor's records show that the dwelling was built in 1947, there is no record indicating that this house was the site of any significant historic event. A Phase I Historic Assessment prepared by Elizabeth Moore Architect dated March 4, 2009, determined the structure is not listed in any register of historic places, and has been altered less than 50 years ago, and has no historical significance. Therefore, pursuant to Section 21084.1, the structure does not qualify as being historic.
- j) <u>Land Use Advisory Committee</u> The project was referred to the Carmel Unincorporated/Highlands Land Use Advisory Committee (LUAC) on December 15, 2008 for review. The LUAC recommended approval of the project with concerns expressed about the roof deck. The LUAC did not want the railing around the top of the deck to be of material that was visible. However, the railing would have been over the 18 foot height limit, staff required its removal. Also, colors and materials to be of a darker beige and Carmel stone. The LUAC also requested that a

- replacement Cypress tree be located in the Northeast corner near Carmelo Street. (Condition #7)
- k) The application, project plans, and related support materials submitted by the project applicant to the Monterey County RMA - Planning Department for the proposed development found in Project File PLN080266.
- 2. **FINDING:** SITE SUITABILITY The site is physically suitable for the use proposed.
  - EVIDENCE: a) The project has been reviewed for site suitability by the following departments and agencies: RMA Planning Department, Carmel Cypress Fire Protection District, Parks, Public Works, Environmental Health Division, and Water Resources Agency. There has been no indication from these departments/agencies that the site is not suitable for the proposed development. Conditions recommended have been incorporated.
    - b) Technical reports by outside consultants indicated that there are no physical or environmental constraints that would indicate that the site is not suitable for the use proposed. County staff independently reviewed these reports and concurs with their conclusions. The following reports have been prepared:
      - "Preliminary Cultural Resources Reconnaissance for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000" (LIB100015) prepared by Susan Morley dated February 2006;
      - "Report on Monitoring Program for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000" (LIB100016) prepared by Susan Morley, September 2006;
      - "Preliminary Archaeological Reconnaissance" (LIB100017) prepared by Archaeological Consulting dated October 31, 2008;
      - "Archaeological Resources Assessment" (LIB100018) prepared by Basin Research Associates dated August 4, 2009;
      - "Proposal for Archaeological Testing Program for 26478 Carmelo Street" (LIB100019) prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated November 17, 2009;
      - "Archaeological Testing Program for 26478 Carmelo Street" (LIB100020) prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated January 4, 2010;
      - "Recommended Archaeological Scope of Work for Polkow Project" (LIB100103) prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated April 19, 2010;
      - "Geotechnical Investigation" (LIB100012) prepared by Soil Surveys, Inc. dated October 27, 2008;
      - "Tree Assessment/Arborist Report for Polkow Residence" (LIB100013) prepared by Frank Ono dated October 10, 2008;
      - "Phase I Historic Assessment" (LIB100014) prepared by Elizabeth Moore Architect dated March 4, 2009.
    - c) Staff conducted site inspections on August 18, 2009 and March 30, 2010 to verify that the site is suitable for this use.
    - d) The application, project plans, and related support materials submitted

by the project applicant to the Monterey County RMA - Planning Department for the proposed development found in Project File PLN080266.

#### 3. **FINDING:**

**HEALTH AND SAFETY** - The establishment, maintenance, or operation of the project applied for will not under the circumstances of this particular case be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort, and general welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood of such proposed use, or be detrimental or injurious to property and improvements in the neighborhood or to the general welfare of the County.

#### EVIDENCE: a)

- The project was reviewed by RMA Planning Department, Carmel Cypress Fire Protection District, Parks, Public Works, Environmental Health Division, and Water Resources Agency. The respective departments/agencies have recommended conditions, where appropriate, to ensure that the project will not have an adverse effect on the health, safety, and welfare of persons either residing or working in the neighborhood.
- b) Necessary public facilities are available. The project is served by California American Water Company (Cal-Am), the Carmel Area Wastewater District (CAWD), and Pacific Gas & Electric. A water form approved by the Water Resources Agency showing no net increase in water fixture allowances and the project will require approval through the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District prior to issuance of Building Permits. There are existing connects for utilities for the existing single family dwelling and the proposed project will be served in the same manner.
- c) Preceding findings and supporting evidence for PLN080266.

#### 4. **FINDING:**

**NO VIOLATIONS** - The subject property is in compliance with all rules and regulations pertaining to zoning uses, subdivision, and any other applicable provisions of the County's zoning ordinance. No violations exist on the property.

#### **EVIDENCE**: a)

- Staff reviewed Monterey County RMA Planning Department and Building Services Department records and is not aware of any violations existing on subject property.
- b) Staff conducted site inspections on August 18, 2009 and March 30, 2010 and researched County records to assess if any violation exists on the subject property.
- c) There are no known violations on the subject parcel.
- d) The application, plans and supporting materials submitted by the project applicant to the Monterey County Planning Department for the proposed development are found in Project File PLN080266.

#### 5. **FINDING:**

**CEQA** (Mitigated Neg Dec) - On the basis of the whole record before the Monterey County Planning Commission, there is no substantial evidence that the proposed project as designed, conditioned and mitigated, will have a significant effect on the environment. The Mitigated Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the County.

- **EVIDENCE:** a) Public Resources Code Section 21080.d and California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15064.a.1 require environmental review if there is substantial evidence that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.
  - b) The Monterey County Planning Department prepared an Initial Study pursuant to CEQA. The Initial Study is on file in the offices of the Planning Department and is hereby incorporated by reference (PLN080266).
  - c) The Initial Study identified several potentially significant effects, but revisions have been made to the project and the applicant has agreed to proposed mitigation measures that avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where potential impacts have been mitigated to a level of insignificance. The Initial Study is on file in the RMA-Planning Department and is hereby incorporated by reference (PLN080266).
  - d) All project changes required to avoid significant effects on the environment have been incorporated into the project and/or are made conditions of approval. A Condition Compliance and Mitigation Monitoring and/or Reporting Plan has been prepared in accordance with Monterey County regulations and is designed to ensure compliance during project implementation and is hereby incorporated herein by reference as **Exhibit 1**. The applicant must enter into an "Agreement to Implement a Mitigation Monitoring and/or Reporting Plan as a condition of project approval (Condition #5)
  - e) The Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration ("MND") for PLN080266 was prepared in accordance with CEQA and circulated for public review from February 12, 2010 through March 15, 2010. Issues that were analyzed in the Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration ("MND") include aesthetic resources, cultural resources and geology and soils.
  - f) Evidence that has been received and considered includes: the application, technical studies/reports, comments (See also Finding 2), staff reports that reflect the County's independent judgment, and information and testimony presented during public hearings (as applicable). These documents are on file in the RMA-Planning Department (PLN080266) and are hereby incorporated herein by reference.
  - g) Staff analysis contained in the Initial Study and the record as a whole indicate the project could result in changes to the resources listed in Section 753.5(d) of the Department of Fish and Game (DFG) regulations. SB 1535 has eliminated the provision for a determination of "de minimis" effect by the lead agency; consequently, all land development projects that are subject to environmental review are now subject to a State filing fee plus the County recording fee, unless the Department of Fish and Game determines that the project will have no effect on fish and wildlife resources. Therefore, the project will be required to pay the State fee of \$2,010.25 plus a fee of \$50.00 payable to the Monterey County Clerk/Recorder for processing said fee and posting the Notice of Determination (NOD). (Condition #4)
  - h) The County has considered the comments received during the public review period, and the County has added Conditions/Mitigations (MM

- #1, MM #2, MM #3, MM #4 and MM #5) or the project has been modified by the Planning Commission to address the comments received.
- i) A new mitigation measure (MM #3) to allow excavation is equivalent or more effective in mitigating or avoiding potential significant effects and it itself will not cause any potentially significant effect on the environment. A public hearing was held on the project on April 28, 2010 in which the addition of the mitigation measure was addressed. The new mitigation measure is incorporated into project approval or made a condition of project approval.
- j) The County has revised Conditions/Mitigations (MM #6 and MM #8) because the project has been modified by the Planning Commission to substantially minimize grading to avoid impacts to archaeological resources. Pursuant to CEQA Section 15073, recirculation of the Initial Study is not required because mitigation measures are replaced with equal or more effective measures, pursuant to Section 15074.1.
- k) The Monterey County Planning Department, located at 168 W. Alisal, Second Floor, Salinas, California, 93901, is the custodian of documents and other materials that constitute the record of proceedings upon which the decision to adopt the negative declaration is based.
- 6. **FINDING: PUBLIC ACCESS** The project is in conformance with the public access and recreation policies of the Coastal Act (specifically Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act of 1976, commencing with Section 30200 of the Public Resources Code) and Local Coastal Program, and does not interfere with any form of historic public use or trust rights.
  - **EVIDENCE:** a) No access is required as part of the project as no substantial adverse impact on access, either individually or cumulatively, as described in Section 20.70.050.B.4.c of the Monterey County Coastal Implementation Plan can be demonstrated.
    - b) The subject property is not described as an area where the Local Coastal Program requires public access (Figure 3 in the Carmel Area Land Use Plan).
    - c) No evidence or documentation has been submitted or found showing the existence of historic public use or trust rights over this property.
    - d) The application, plans and supporting materials submitted by the project applicant to the Monterey County Planning Department for the proposed development are found in Project File PLN080266.
    - e) The project planner conducted a site inspection on August 18, 2009 and March 30, 2010.
- 7. **FINDING:** TREE REMOVAL The subject project minimizes tree removal in accordance with the applicable goals and policies of the applicable land use plan and the Coastal Implementation Plan.
  - EVIDENCE: a) The project includes application for the removal of one 48 inch Cypress tree. In accordance with the applicable policies of the Carmel Area Land Use Plan and the Monterey County Zoning Ordinance (Title 20), a Coastal Development Permit is required and the authority to grant said permit has been met. The project has been designed and sited to

- minimize the removal of protected trees to the greatest extent feasible.
- b) Although landmark trees of all native species shall not be permitted to be removed, an exception may be granted by the decision-making body for removal of a tree that is 24 inches or greater in diameter and not also visually or historically significant, exemplary of its species of more than 1000 years old, provided that a finding maybe made that no alternatives to development exists whereby the tree removal can be avoided. (Policy 20.146.060.D.1 CIP) Currently, there is no off-site parking. A garage is proposed for the project to provide required onsite parking. There is no other feasible location that could avoid removal of the planted tree.
- c) Tree Assessment/Arborist Report prepared by Frank Ono, dated October 10, 2008, determines that the tree is in poor condition, both structurally and in health. This tree seems to have been planted as part of a wind hedge row. This tree, however, is considered to be in a dangerous condition due to the amount of cubic rot that has been observed within fractures in its limbs and cavities in the stem.
- d) Although planted, native trees to be removed which are 12 inches or more in diameter when measured at breast height shall be replaced on the parcel. (Policy 20.146.060.D.6) The Arborist Report recommends that two 15 gallon size Monterey Cypress trees be planted onsite. A condition of approval will require the applicant to show proof of planting once construction has been completed. (Condition #8)
- e) Measures for tree protection during construction have been incorporated as conditions and include tree protection zones, trunk protection, hand excavation and bridging roots (Condition #7).
- f) The planted Cypress tree is located south and below the proposed project. Removal will not involve a risk of adverse environmental impacts nor will its removal cause additional visibility to the structure.
- g) Staff conducted site inspections on August 18, 2009 and March 30, 2010 to verify that the tree removal is the minimum necessary for the project and to identify any potential adverse environmental impacts related to the proposed tree removal.
- h) The application, plans and supporting materials submitted by the project applicant to the Monterey County Planning Department for the proposed development are found in Project File PLN080266.
- 8. **FINDING:**

**VIEWSHED** – The subject project minimizes development within the viewshed in accordance with the applicable goals and policies of the applicable area plan and zoning codes.

**EVIDENCE:** a)

The proposed building site is located on an existing parcel that is visible from Scenic Road, which is a designated scenic roadway as described in Map A General Viewshed. (Policy 2.2.2 CLUP) The portion of a parcel least visible from public viewpoints and corridors shall be considered the most appropriate site for the location of new structures (Policy 2.2.3.4 CLUP). The house sits on a modest-sized lot up above the road and for this reason is not readily visible. It is located in a residential neighborhood with dwellings of similar size and character and is consistent with the view scape on the east side of Scenic Road. The

- Carmel River Lagoon is directly across the street.
- b) To protect the scenic resources of the Carmel area perpetuity, all future development within the viewshed must harmonize and be clearly subordinate to the natural scenic character of the area. (Policy 2.2.2 CLUP) The project would result in the replacement of an existing single family dwelling in the same footprint of the existing structure. Although the proposed residence is taller than the existing dwelling, the height of the proposed residence meets the 18-foot height limit restriction required in the zoning district shown on Monterey County zoning maps. The project is also visible from a public viewing area (Carmel Beach). The house is being set back off the road approximately 49 feet, and the second story element of the house is set back from the front portion which reduces the visibility of the two story element of the house.
- c) Structures located in the viewshed shall be designed so that they blend into the site and surrounding. Exterior lighting shall be adequately shielded or shall be designed at near-ground level and directed downwards to reduce its long-range visibility. (Policy 2.2.4.10.c and Policy 2.2.4.10.d CLUP) The applicant proposed to use colors and materials of beige stucco with accents of Carmel stone. Lighting will be conditioned to require low near ground lighting. Therefore, impacts are less than significant.
- d) The project as proposed, conditioned, and mitigated is consistent with policies of the Carmel Area Land Use Plan dealing with visual resources and will have no significant impact on the public viewshed.
- e) The application, plans and supporting materials submitted by the project applicant to the Monterey County Planning Department for the proposed development are found in Project File PLN080266.
- f) The project planner conducted site inspections on August 18, 2009 and March 30, 2010 to verify that the project minimizes development within the viewshed or to identify methods to minimize the development.
- 9. **FINDING:** APPEALABILITY The decision on this project may be appealed to the Board of Supervisors and the California Coastal Commission
  - **EVIDENCE:** a) Section 20.86.030 Monterey County Zoning Ordinance (Board of Supervisors).
    - b) Section 20.86.080 Monterey County Zoning Ordinance (Coastal Commission). The project is subject to appeal by/to the California Coastal Commission because the project includes a conditional uses (Coastal Development Permit) for development within a positive archaeological site and tree removal.

#### **DECISION**

**NOW, THEREFORE**, based on the above findings and evidence, the Planning Commission does hereby:

- A. Adopt Mitigated Negative Declaration (**Exhibit F**) with Mitigation Monitoring Reporting Plan (**Exhibit C-1**);
- B. Approve PLN080266, based on the findings and evidence, in general conformance with the attached sketch (Exhibit 2) and subject to the conditions (Exhibit 1), both exhibits being attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and
- C. Deny the request to replace the 6 foot high, 158 linear foot retaining wall at the rear of the property.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 28 <sup>th</sup> day seconded by, by the follow	
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN:	
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	Mike Novo, Planning Commission
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CONTACT THE COASTAL COMMISSION AT	(831) 427-4863 OR AT 725 FRONT STREET, SUITE

This decision, if this is the final administrative decision, is subject to judicial review pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Sections 1094.5 and 1094.6. Any Petition for Writ of Mandate must be filed with the Court no later than the 90th day following the date on which this decision becomes final.

#### **NOTES**

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1. You will need a building permit and must comply with the Monterey County Building Ordinance in every respect.

Additionally, the Zoning Ordinance provides that no building permit shall be issued, nor any use conducted, otherwise than in accordance with the conditions and terms of the permit granted or until ten days after the mailing of notice of the granting of the permit by the appropriate authority, or after granting of the permit by the Board of Supervisors in the event of appeal.

Do not start any construction or occupy any building until you have obtained the necessary permits and use clearances from the Monterey County Planning Department and Building Services Department office in Salinas.

2. This permit expires 3 years after the above date of granting thereof unless construction or use is started within this period.

#### **RESOLUTION - EXHIBIT C1**

# Monterey County Resource Management Agency Planning Department Condition Compliance and/or Mitigation Monitorin

Condition Compliance and/or Mitigation Monitoring
Reporting Plan

Project Name: Polkow

File No: PLN080266

**APNs**: <u>009-471-024-000</u>

Approved by: Planning Commission

Date: July 28, 2010

\*Monitoring or Reporting refers to projects with an EIR or adopted Mitigated Negative Declaration per Section 21081.6 of the Public Resources Code.

Permit Cond. Number Mitig. Number	Conditions of Approval and/or Mitigation Measures and Responsible Land Use Department	Compilance or Monitoring Actions to be performed. Where applicable, a centified professional is required for action to be accepted.	Responsible Party for Compliance	Timing	Verification of Compliance (name/date)
	RMA—Plan	ning Department			
1.	PD001 - SPECIFIC USES ONLY This Combined Development Permit (PLN080266)	Adhere to conditions and uses specified in the permit.	Owner/ Applicant	Ongoing unless	
	allows: 1) Coastal Administrative Permit and Design Approval to allow the demolition of an existing 1,529 square foot single family dwelling and the construction of a 3,676 square foot, three level single family dwelling with 1,284 square foot located completely below grade and associated grading (322 cubic yard of cut); 2) Coastal Development Permit for development with positive archaeological reports; 3) Coastal Development Permit for the removal of a 48" planted and diseased Cypress tree. The property is located at 26478 Camelo Street, Carmel (Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024- 000), Carmel Area Land Use Plan. This permit was approved in accordance with County ordinances and land use regulations subject to the following terms and conditions. Any use or construction not in substantial conformance with the terms and conditions of this permit	Neither the uses nor the construction allowed by this permit shall commence unless and until all of the conditions of this permit are met to the satisfaction of the Director of the RMA - Planning Department.	RMA - Planning	otherwise stated	
		To the extent that the County has delegated any condition compliance or mitigation monitoring to the Monterey County Water Resources Agency, the Water Resources Agency shall provide all information requested by the County and the County shall bear ultimate responsibility to ensure that conditions and mitigation measures are properly fulfilled.	WRA RMA - Planning		

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	specified by this permit is allowed unless additional permits are approved by the appropriate authorities. (RMA-Planning Department)				
2.	PD002 - NOTICE-PERMIT APPROVAL  The applicant shall record a notice which states: "A permit (Resolution) was approved by the Planning Commission for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000 on July 28, 2010. The permit was granted subject to 28 conditions of approval and 8 mitigations measures all of which run with the land. A copy of the permit is on file with the Monterey County RMA - Planning Department." (RMA-Planning Department)	Obtain appropriate form from the RMA-Planning Department.  The applicant shall complete the form and furnish proof of recordation of this notice to the RMA - Planning Department.	Owner/ Applicant RMA- Planning	Prior to the issuance of grading and building permits or commencement of use	
3.	PD032(A) - PERMIT EXPIRATION  The permit shall be granted for a time period of 3 years, to expire on April 28, 2013 unless use of the property or actual construction has begun within this period. (RMA – Planning Department)	The applicant shall obtain a valid grading or building permit and/or commence the authorized use to the satisfaction of the Director of Planning. Any request for extension must be received by the Planning Department at least 30 days prior to the expiration date.	Owner/ Applicant	As stated in the conditions of approval	
4.	PD005 - FISH AND GAME FEE-NEG DEC/EIR Pursuant to the State Public Resources Code § 753.5, State Fish and Game Code, and California Code of Regulations, the applicant shall pay a fee, to be collected by the County, within five (5) working days of project approval.	The applicant shall submit a check, payable to the <i>County of Monterey</i> , to the Director of the RMA - Planning Department.	Owner/ Applicant	Within 5 working days of project approval	
	This fee shall be paid before the Notice of Determination is filed. If the fee is not paid within five (5) working days, the project shall not be operative, vested or final until the filing fees are paid. (RMA - Planning Department)	If the fee is not paid within five (5) working days, the applicant shall submit a check, payable to the <i>County of Monterey</i> , to the Director of the RMA - Planning Department.	Owner/ Applicant	Prior to the issuance of building or grading permits	
5.	PD006 - MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM  The applicant shall enter into an agreement with the County to implement a Mitigation Monitoring and/or Reporting Plan in accordance with Section 21081.6 of the	1) Enter into agreement with the County to implement a Mitigation Monitoring Program.	Owner/ Applicant	Within 60 days after project approval or	

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		California Public Resources Code and Section 15097 of Title 14, Chapter 3 of the California Code of Regulations. Compliance with the fee schedule adopted by the Board of Supervisors for mitigation monitoring shall be required and payment made to the County of Monterey at the time the property owner submits the signed mitigation monitoring agreement. (RMA - Planning Department)	2) Fees shall be submitted at the time the property owner submits the signed mitigation monitoring agreement.		prior to the issuance of grading and building permits, whichever occurs first	
6.		PD022(A) – EASEMENT – CONSERVATION AND SCENIC  A conservation and scenic easement shall be conveyed to the County over those portions of the property where archaeological resources exist. The easement shall be developed in consultation with certified professional. An easement deed shall be submitted to, reviewed and approved by, the Director of the RMA - Planning	Submit the conservation and scenic easement deed and corresponding map, showing the exact location of the easement on the property along with the metes and bound description developed in consultation with a certified professional, to the RMA - Planning Department for review and approval.	Owner/ Applicant/ Certified Profession al	Prior to issuance of grading and building permits	
·		Department prior to issuance of grading and building permits. (RMA – Planning Department)	Record the deed and map showing the approved conservation and scenic easement. Submit a copy of the recorded deed and map to the RMA – Planning Department.	Owner/ Applicant	Prior to final inspection or commencement use	
7.		PD011 – TREE AND ROOT PROTECTION  Trees which are located close to the construction site(s) shall be protected from inadvertent damage from construction equipment by fencing off the canopy driplines and/or critical root zones (whichever is greater) with protective materials, wrapping trunks with protective	Submit evidence of tree protection to the RMA - Planning Department for review and approval.	Owner/ Applicant	Prior to the issuance of grading and/or building permits	
		materials, avoiding fill of any type against the base of the trunks and avoiding an increase in soil depth at the feeding zone or drip-line of the retained trees. Said protection, approved by a certified arborist, shall be demonstrated prior to issuance of building permits subject to the approval of the RMA – Director of Planning. If there is	Submit on-going evidence that tree protection measures are in place through out grading and construction phases. If damage is possible, submit an interim report prepared by a certified arborist.	Owner/ Applicant/ Arborist	During Construc- tion	

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		any potential for damage, all work must stop in the area and a report, with mitigation measures, shall be submitted by a certified arborist. Should any additional trees not included in this permit be harmed, during grading or construction activities, in such a way where removal is required, the owner/applicant shall obtain required permits.(RMA - Planning Department)	Submit photos of the trees on the property to the RMA – Planning Department after construction to document that tree protection has been successful or if follow-up remediation or additional permits are required.	Owner/ Applicant	Prior to final inspection	
8.		SPPD001 - LANDSCAPE PLAN AND MAINTENANCE - MONTEREY PENINSULA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING ONLY) -(NON STANDARD) The site shall be landscaped. Prior to the issuance of building permits, three (3) copies of a landscaping plan shall be submitted to the Director of the RMA - Planning Department. A landscape plan review fee is required for this project. Fees shall be paid at the time of landscape plan submittal. The landscaping plan shall be in sufficient detail to identify the location, species, and size of the proposed landscaping materials and shall include an irrigation plan. Two trees required for tree replacement for the removal of the Cypress tree shall be located in the Northeast corner near Carmelo Street. The plan shall be accompanied by a nursery or contractor's estimate of the cost of installation of the plan. Before	Submit landscape plans and contractor's estimate to the RMA - Planning Department for review and approval. Landscaping plans shall include the recommendations from the Forest Management Plan or Biological Survey as applicable.  Submit one (1) set landscape plans of approved by the RMA – Planning Department, a Maximum Applied Water Allowance (MAWA) calculation, and a completed "Residential Water Release Form and Water Permit Application" to the Monterey County Water Resources Agency for review and approval.	Owner/ Applicant/ Licensed Landscape Contractor/ Licensed Landscape Architect Owner/ Applicant/ Licensed Landscape Contractor/ Licensed Landscape Contractor/ Licensed Landscape Architect	Prior to issuance of building permits  Prior to issuance of building permits	
		occupancy, landscaping shall be either installed or a certificate of deposit or other form of surety made payable to Monterey County for that cost estimate shall be submitted to the Monterey County RMA - Planning Department. All landscaped areas and fences shall be continuously maintained by the applicant; all plant material shall be continuously maintained in a litter-free, weed-free, healthy, growing condition. (RMA – Planning Department)	Submit the RMA – Planning Department approved landscape plans, a Maximum Applied Water Allowance (MAWA) calculation, and a completed "Residential Water Release Form and Water Permit Application" to the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District for review and approval.	Owner/ Applicant/ Licensed Landscape Contractor/ Licensed Landscape Architect	Prior to issuance of building permits	

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	Submit an approved water permit from the MPWMD to the RMA – Building Permit	Owner/ Applicant/ Licensed Landscape Contractor	Prior to issuance of Building Permits	
	Landscaping shall be either installed or a certificate of deposit or other form of surety made payable to Monterey County for that cost estimate shall be submitted to the Monterey County RMA - Planning Department.	Owner/ Applicant/ Licensed Landscape Contractor/ Licensed Landscape Architect	Prior to Occupancy	
	All landscaped areas and fences shall be continuously maintained by the applicant; all plant material shall be continuously maintained in a litter-free, weed-free, healthy, growing condition.	Owner/ Applicant	Ongoing	
9. PD014(A) – LIGHTING – EXTERIOR LIGHTING PLAN All exterior lighting shall be unobtrusive, down-lit, harmonious with the local area, and constructed or located so that only the intended area is illuminated and off-site glare is fully controlled. The applicant shall submit 3 copies of an exterior lighting plan which shall indicate the location, type, and wattage of all light fixtures and include	Submit three copies of the lighting plans to the RMA - Planning Department for review and approval. Approved lighting plans shall be incorporated into final building plans.	Owner/ Applicant	Prior to the issuance of building permits	
catalog sheets for each fixture. The lighting shall comply with the requirements of the California Energy Code set forth in California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 6.  The exterior lighting plan shall be subject to approval by the Director of the RMA - Planning Department, prior to the issuance of building permits. (RMA – Planning Department)	The lighting shall be installed and maintained in accordance with the approved plan.	Owner/ Applicant	Prior to occupancy/ ongoing	·

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10	PD047 – DEMOLITION/DECONSTRUCTION OF STRUCTURES (MBUAPCD RULE 439) In accordance with Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District Rule 439, construction plans shall include "Demolition and Deconstruction" notes that incorporate the following work practice standards:  1. Sufficiently wet the structure prior to deconstruction or demolition. Continue wetting as necessary during active deconstruction or demolition and the debris reduction process;  2. Demolish the structure inward toward the building pad. Lay down roof and walls so that they fall inward and not away from the building;  3. Commencement of deconstruction or demolition activities shall be prohibited when the peak wind speed exceeds 15 miles per hour.  All Air District standards shall be enforced by the Air District.  (RMA – Planning Department)	Applicant shall incorporate a "Demolition/ Deconstruction" note on the demolition site plan that includes, but is not limited to, the standards set forth in this condition.  Contractor shall obtain any required Air District permits and conduct all deconstruction or demolition activities as required by the Air District.	Contractor /Owner/ Applicant  Contractor /Owner/ Applicant/ Air District	Prior to the issuance of a demolition permit  During demolition	
	RMA – Publ	ic Works Department			
11.	PW0005 ENCROACHMENT (STD DRIVEWAY) Obtain an encroachment permit from the Department of Public Works and construct a standard driveway connection to Carmelo Street.(Public Works)	Applicant shall obtain an encroachment permit from DPW prior to issuance of building permits and complete improvement prior to occupancy or commencement of use. Applicant is responsible to obtain all permits and environmental clearances.	Owner/ Applicant	Prior to building/ grading permits issuance	

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12		PW0044 – CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PLAN The applicant shall submit a Construction Management Plan (CMP) to the RMA-Planning Department and the Department of Public Works for review and approval. The CMP shall include measures to minimize traffic impacts during the construction/grading phase of the project and shall provide the following information:	Applicant shall prepare a CMP and shall submit the CMP to the RMA-Planning Department and the Department of Public Works for review and approval.	Owner/ Applicant/ Contractor	Prior to issuance of the grading or building permit	·
		Duration of the construction, hours of operation, an estimate of the number of truck trips that will be generated, truck routes, number of construction workers, parking areas for both equipment and workers, and locations of truck staging areas. Approved measures included in the CMP shall be implemented by the applicant during the construction/grading phase of the project. (Public Works)	The approved measures shall be implemented during the construction/grading phase of the project.	Owner/ Applicant/ Contractor	On-going through con- struction phases	
		Monterey County	Water Resources Agency		All Control of the Co	
13.		WR1 - DRAINAGE PLAN The applicant shall provide the Water Resources Agency a drainage plan prepared by a registered civil engineer or architect addressing on-site and off-site impacts. Drainage improvements shall be constructed in accordance with plans approved by the Water Resources Agency. (Water Resources Agency)	Submit 3 copies of the engineered drainage plan to the Water Resources Agency for review and approval.	Owner/ Applicant/ Emgineer	Prior to issuance of any grading or building permits	

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14	WR40 - WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES The applicant shall comply with Ordinance No. 3932, or as subsequently amended, of the Monterey County Water Resources Agency pertaining to mandatory water conservation regulations. The regulations for new construction require, but are not limited to: a. All toilets shall be ultra-low flush toilets with a maximum tank size or flush capacity of 1.6 gallons, all shower heads shall have a maximum flow capacity of 2.5 gallons per minute, and all hot water faucets that have more than ten feet of pipe between the faucet and the hot water heater serving such faucet shall be equipped with a hot water recirculating system. b. Landscape plans shall apply xeriscape principles, including such techniques and materials as native or low water use plants and low precipitation sprinkler heads, bubblers, drip irrigation systems and timing devices. (Water Resources Agency)	Compliance to be verified by building inspector at final inspection.	Owner/ Applicant	Prior to final building inspect-ion/ occupancy	
15	WR43 - WATER AVAILABILITY CERTIFICATION The applicant shall obtain from the Monterey County Water Resources Agency, proof of water availability on the property, in the form of an approved Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Water Release Form. (Water Resources Agency)	Submit the Water Release Form to the Water Resources Agency for review and approval.	Owner/ Applicant	Prior to issuance of any building permits	
	Cypress Fir	e Protection District			
16	FIRE011 - ADDRESSES FOR BUILDINGS All buildings shall be issued an address in accordance with Monterey County Ordinance No. 1241. Each occupancy, except accessory buildings, shall have its	Applicant shall incorporate specification into design and enumerate as "Fire Dept. Notes" on plans.	Applicant or owner	Prior to issuance of building permit	

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	own permanently posted address. When multiple occupancies exist within a single building, each individual occupancy shall be separately identified by its own address. Letters, numbers and symbols for addresses shall be a minimum of 4-inch height, 1/2-inch stroke, contrasting with the background color of the sign, and shall be Arabic. The sign and numbers shall be reflective and made of a noncombustible material.	Applicant shall schedule fire dept. clearance inspection.	Applicant or owner	Prior to final building inspection	
	Address signs shall be placed at each driveway entrance and at each driveway split. Address signs shall be and visible from both directions of travel along the road. In all cases, the address shall be posted at the beginning of construction and shall be maintained thereafter. Address signs along one-way roads shall be visible from both directions of travel. Where multiple addresses are				
	required at a single driveway, they shall be mounted on a single sign. Where a roadway provides access solely to a single commercial occupancy, the address sign shall be placed at the nearest road intersection providing access to that site. Permanent address numbers shall be posted prior to requesting final clearance. (Cypress Fire Protection District)				
17	FIRE019 - DEFENSIBLE SPACE REQUIREMENTS - (STANDARD) Manage combustible vegetation within a minimum of 100 feet of structures (or to the property line). Limb trees 6 feet up from ground. Remove limbs within 10 feet of chimneys. Additional and/or alternate fire	Applicant shall incorporate specification into design and enumerate as "Fire Dept. Notes" on plans.	Applicant or owner	Prior to issuance of grading and/or building permit	
	protection or firebreaks approved by the fire authority may be required to provide reasonable fire safety.  Environmentally sensitive areas may require alternative fire protection, to be determined by Reviewing Authority and the Director of Planning and Building Inspection. (Cypress Fire Protection District)	Applicant shall schedule fire dept. clearance inspection	Applicant or owner	Prior to final building inspection	

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18	FIRE021 - FIRE PROTECTION EQUIPMENT & SYSTEMS - FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEM (STANDARD) The building(s) and attached garage(s) shall be fully	Applicant shall enumerate as "Fire Dept. Notes" on plans.	Applicant or owner	Prior to issuance of building permit				
	protected with automatic fire sprinkler system(s). Installation shall be in accordance with the applicable NFPA standard. A minimum of four (4) sets of plans for fire sprinkler systems must be submitted by a California licensed C-16 contractor and approved prior	Applicant shall schedule fire dept. rough sprinkler inspection	Applicant or owner	Prior to framing inspection				
	to installation. This requirement is not intended to delay issuance of a building permit. A rough sprinkler inspection must be scheduled by the installing contractor and completed prior to requesting a framing inspection. (Cypress Fire Protection District)	Applicant shall schedule fire dept. final sprinkler inspection	Applicant or owner	Prior to final building inspection				
19	FIRE029 - ROOF CONSTRUCTION - (CYPRESS FPD & PEBBLE BEACH CSD)  All new structures, and all existing structures receiving new roofing over 25 percent or more of the existing roof surface within a one-year period, shall require a minimum of ICBO Class A roof construction.  (Cypress Fire Protection District)	Applicant shall enumerate as "Fire Dept. Notes" on plans.	Applicant or owner	Prior to issuance of building permit.				
	Park	s Department						
20	PKS001 – HISTORICAL If a project is proposed where a designated historical resource is present, it shall be referred to the Historic Resources Review Board (HRRB) for review and comment. (Parks Department)	None	Owner/ Applicant	Ongoing	·			
	Mitigation Measures							

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21	1.	MM001 – ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES (PRE-CONSTRUCTION MEETING)  An on-site pre-construction meeting shall be held between the applicant, the archaeologist, the representative of the Native American Heritage Commission and the contractor to discuss the mitigation requirements, scheduling of construction and to assure an understanding of the mitigations.	Prior to any construction, evidence of a site meeting between all parties involved shall be submitted to the Director of the RMA – Planning Department. Evidence shall consist of a letter summarizing what was discussed.	Owner/ Applicant/ Contractor	Prior to issuance of grading and/or building permit	
22.	2.	MM002 – ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES (MONITORING)  An agreement between the applicant a professional archaeologist and a Native American Monitor shall be signed stating that they shall be present during construction or pre-construction activities that involve earth disturbance, such as foundation demolition, grading, excavation for the garage and basement, footings and utilities, etc. This agreement shall be consistent with the recommendations contained in the Archaeological Testing Program prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated January 4, 2010.	A copy of the signed agreement shall be submitted to RMA-Planning Department for review and approval prior to issuance of any grading/building permits.  Additional on-going monitoring Action: The text of the mitigation measure shall be posted and maintained at the project site for the duration of construction.	Owner/ Applicant  Owner/ Applicant/ Contractor	Prior to issuance of grading and/or building permit Ongoing throughout construction activities	
23	3	MM003 – EXCAVATION MONITORING No excavation or demolition will be permitted on site unless an archaeologist and a Native American Monitor are present. A team of three archaeologists will employ a backhoe or similar device to scrape off the archaeological deposit in thin layers. The bucket or scraping element shall have a smooth surface for scraping. The archaeologists will inspect the scraped surface and the back dirt for archaeological materials and human remains. Archaeological materials identified will be collected for later analysis. The relocation of the midden soil in the spoil dirt shall be documented and recorded. The midden soil will still exhibit	Procedure must be written into the Archaeological Resources Monitoring Agreement.	Owner/ Applicant/ Contractor	Ongoing throughout construction activities	

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		archaeological characteristics — shell, fire cracked cooking stones, etc. — and will be documented in order to avoid the confusion of possibly finding this material in another location in the future.				
24	4	MM004 – PROTECTION OF RETAINING WALL The existing retaining wall at the rear of the property is not approved from removal and replacement. The face of the wall may be resurfaced subject to review and approval of the Planning Director.	Plans shall be modified to reflect that the existing retaining wall will not be removed and replaced. Notes shall be placed on the plans indicating that the will must remain in place.	Owner/ Applicant/ Contractor	Prior to issuance of grading and/or building permit	·
25.	5	<ul> <li>MM005 – ARCHAEOLOGICAL RESOURCES</li> <li>If archaeological resources or human remains are accidentally discovered during construction, the following steps will be taken:</li> <li>There shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent human remains until:</li> <li>The coroner of the county in which the remains are discovered must be contacted to determine that no investigation of the cause of death is required, and</li> <li>If the coroner determines the remains to be Native American: <ul> <li>The coroner shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission and the RMA – Planning Department within 24 hours.</li> <li>The Native American Heritage Commission shall identify the person or persons from a recognized local tribe of the Esselen, Salinan, Costonoans/Ohlone and Chumash tribal groups, as appropriate, to be the most likely descendent.</li> <li>The most likely descendent may make recommendations to the landowner or the person responsible for the excavation work, for means of treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains and any associated grave goods</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Prior to issuance of any grading/building permits, the applicant shall submit the contracts with a Registered Professional Archaeologist, a Registered Professional Anthropologist and a representative of the Ohlone Costanoane Esselen Nation to the Director of the RMA – Planning Department for review and approval.	Owner/ Applicant	permit  Prior to issuance of grading and/or building permit	

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		as provided in Public Resources Code Section 5097.9 and 5097.993, or Where the following conditions occur, the landowner or his authorized representatives shall rebury the Native American human remains and associated grave goods with appropriate dignity on the property in a location not subject to further subsurface disturbance.				
		<ol> <li>The Native American Heritage Commission is unable to identify a most likely descendent or the most likely descendent failed to make a recommendation within 24 hours after being notified by the commission.</li> <li>The descendent identified fails to make a recommendation; or</li> <li>The landowner or his authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the descendent, and the mediation by the Native American Heritage Commission fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner.</li> </ol>				
26	6.	MM006 – GEOLOGY AND SOILS –LIMITED GRADING No more than 322 cubic yards of grading is permitted associated with the entire project including basement, garage, and driveway; with no sub-excavation or recompaction of earth.	After archaeological digging and prior to issuance of a grading and/or building permit, REVISED foundation plans shall be submitted showing adherence to 322 cubic yards of cut with no subexcavation or re- compaction of earth.	Applicant / Owner	Prior to the issuance of grading and building permits	
27	7.	MM007 – GEOLOGY AND SOILS (DRAINAGE PLAN) Roof and site water shall be directed away from the new building foundations for a minimum slope of 5% in ten feet and shall discharge onto the driveway or within suitable down slope drainage areas.	Prior to issuance of a grading and/or a building permit, a drainage plan shall be submitted to Monterey County Water Resources Agency and RMA-Planning for review and approval.	Applicant/ Owner	Prior to the issuance of grading and building permits	

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28 8.	MM008 – GEOLOGY AND SOILS (FOUNDATION/BASEMENT/DRIVEWAY INSPECTION) A qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer shall be retained to inspect and approve the grading, drainage, and foundation plans prior to construction. A copy of a contract to retain a qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer shall be submitted to the Planning Department. The applicant shall provide evidence of the presence of a qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer on-site during excavation of the new construction and provide any measures necessary to adhere to 322 cubic yards of grading, with no sub-excavation or re-compaction.	Prior to issuance of a grading and building permit, applicant/owner shall retain a qualified licensed geotechnical engineer to review and approve the grading, drainage, and foundation plans prior to construction. A copy of a contract to retain a qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer shall be submitted to the Planning Department. The applicant shall provide evidence of the presence of a qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer on-site during excavation of the new construction and any measures necessary to be in place and in good order through construction. Photos should be dated on a monthly basis and submitted with a certification from a qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer.	Applicant/ Owner	Prior to the issuance of grading and building permits	

**END OF CONDITIONS** 

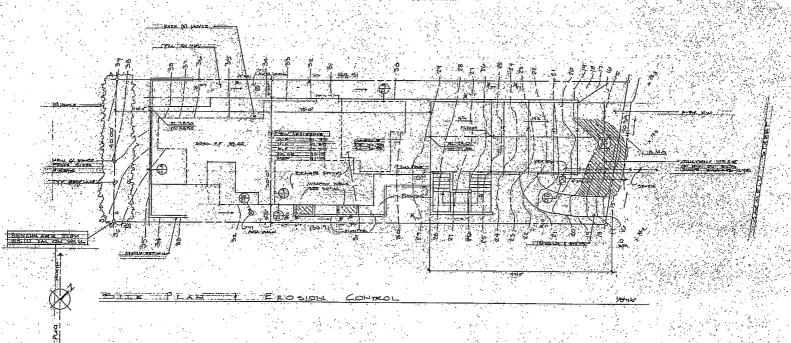
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#### BUILDING CLASSIFICATION

OCCUPANCY GROUP: R-3/U
CONSTRUCTION TYPE: V-B SPRINKLERED
CODES: 2007 CALIFORNIA CODES
SCOPE OF WORK: RAZE EXISTING S.F.D., BUILD NEW 2392 S.F.
TWO STORY HOUSE PLUS A 777-S.F. BASEMENT AND A 507-S.F.
PASSEMENT LEVEL GARAGE. BUILD SITE RETAINING WALLS, 6'
FENCE AROUND PROPERTY, DEVELOPMENT ON 30% SLOPES
CONSISTING OF CONSTRUCTING 128. S.F. OF DRIVEWAY ON 30%
SLOPES, TREE REMOVAL, AND GRADING.

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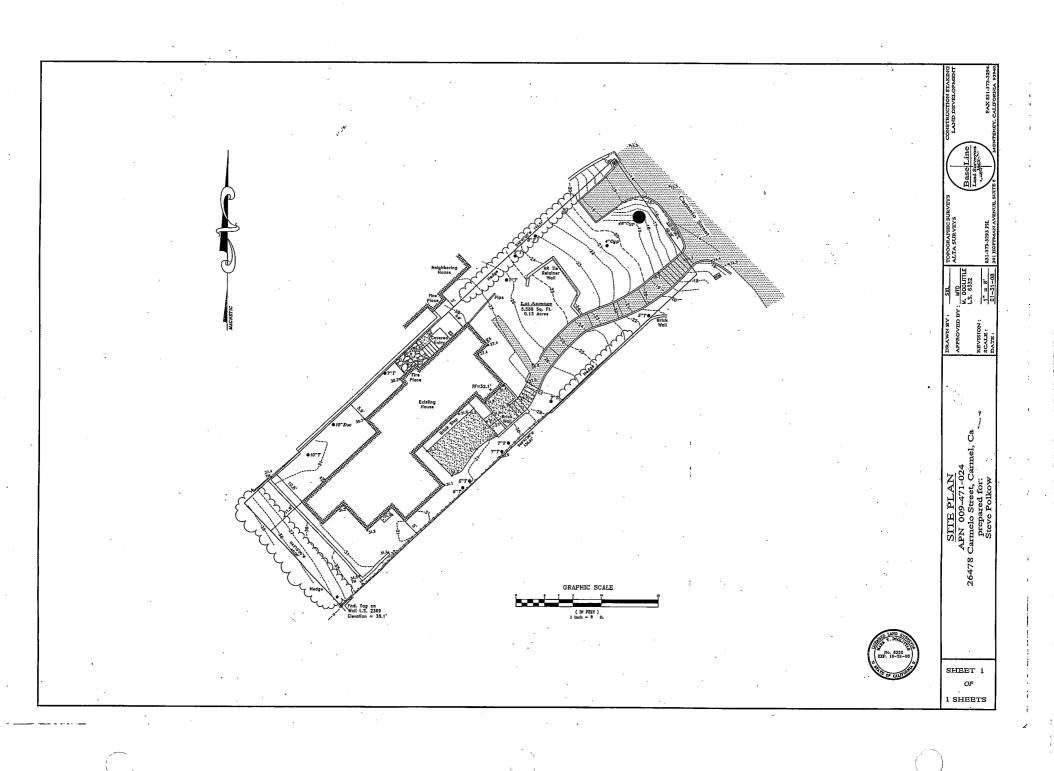
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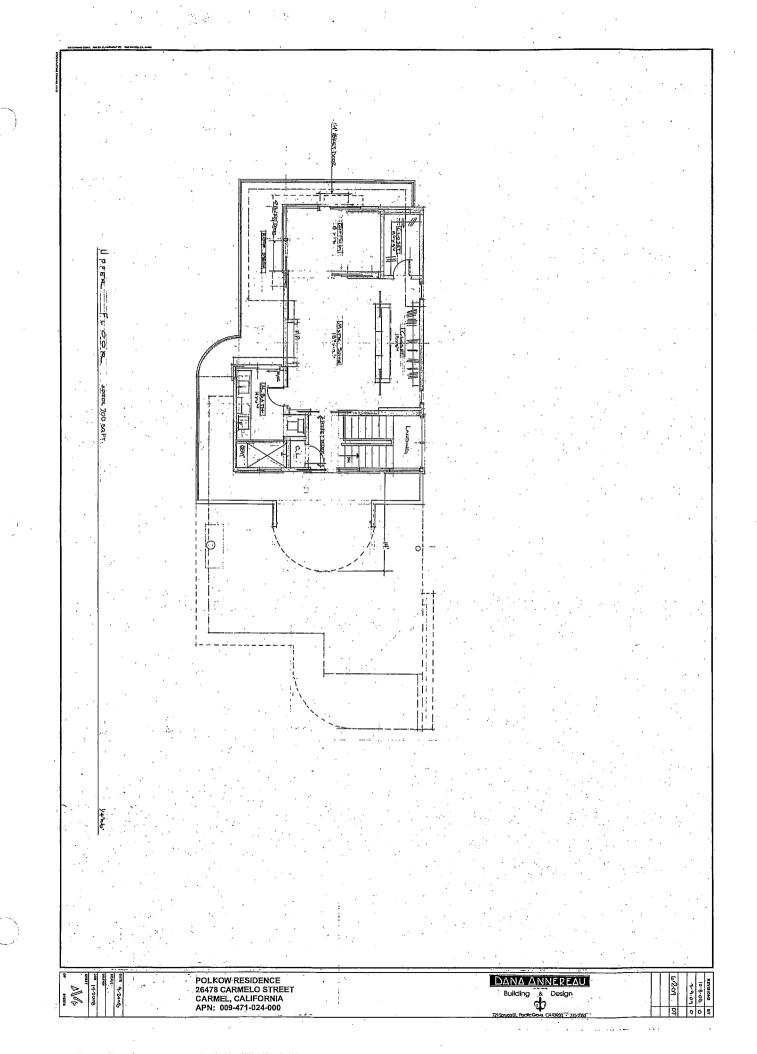
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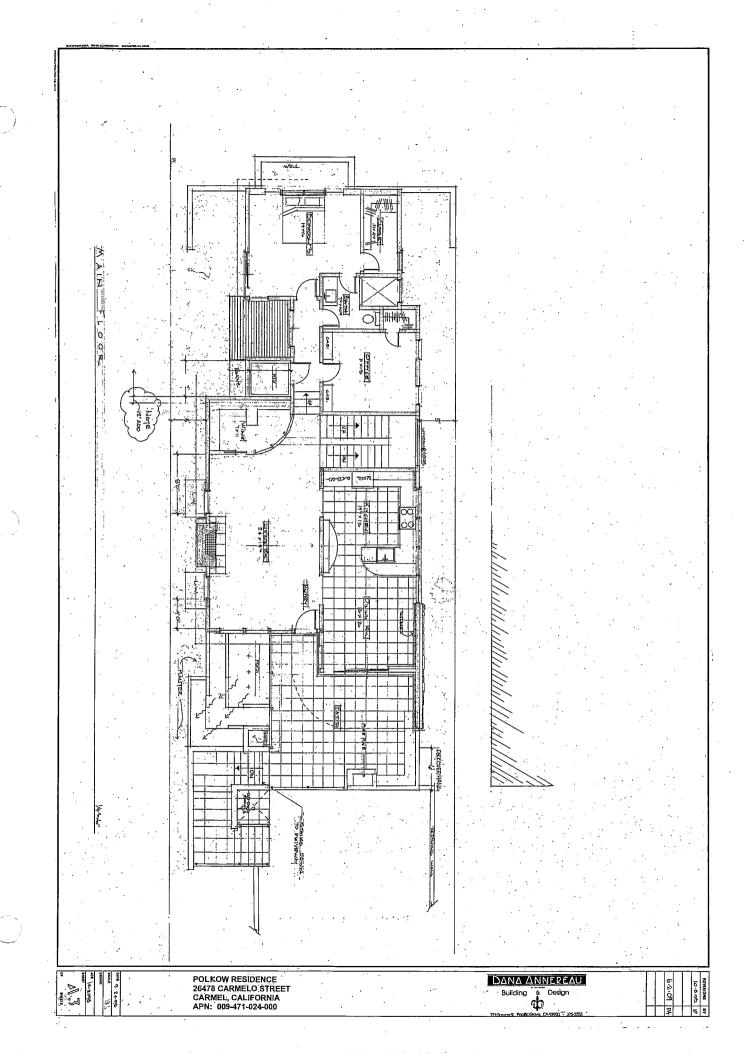
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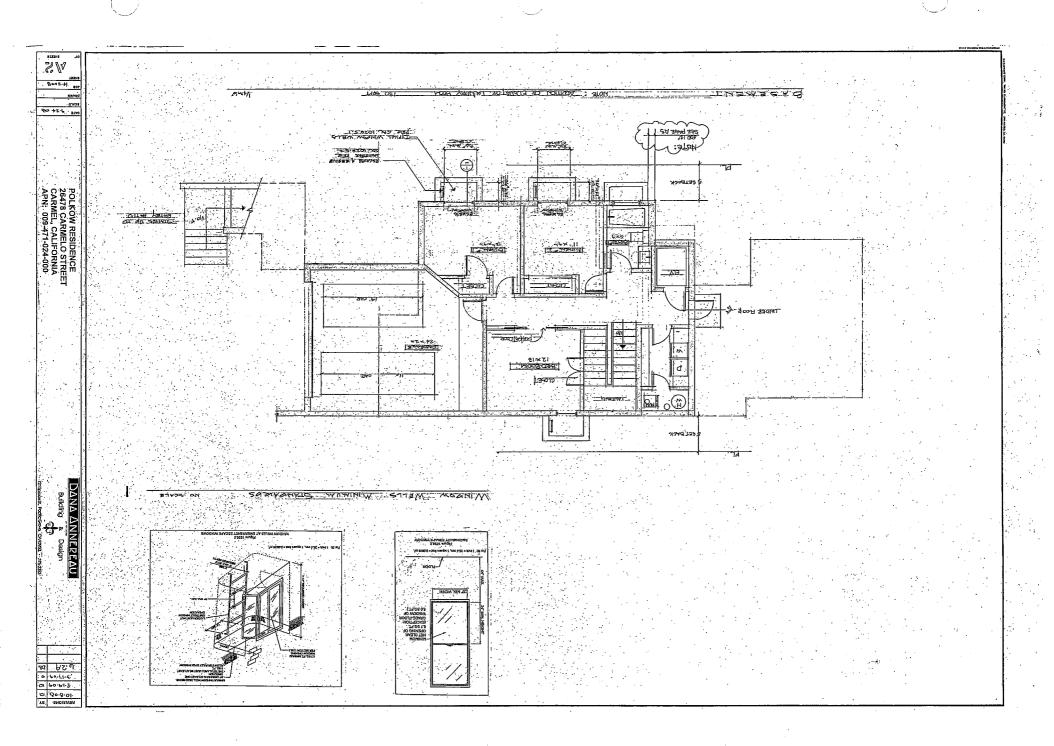
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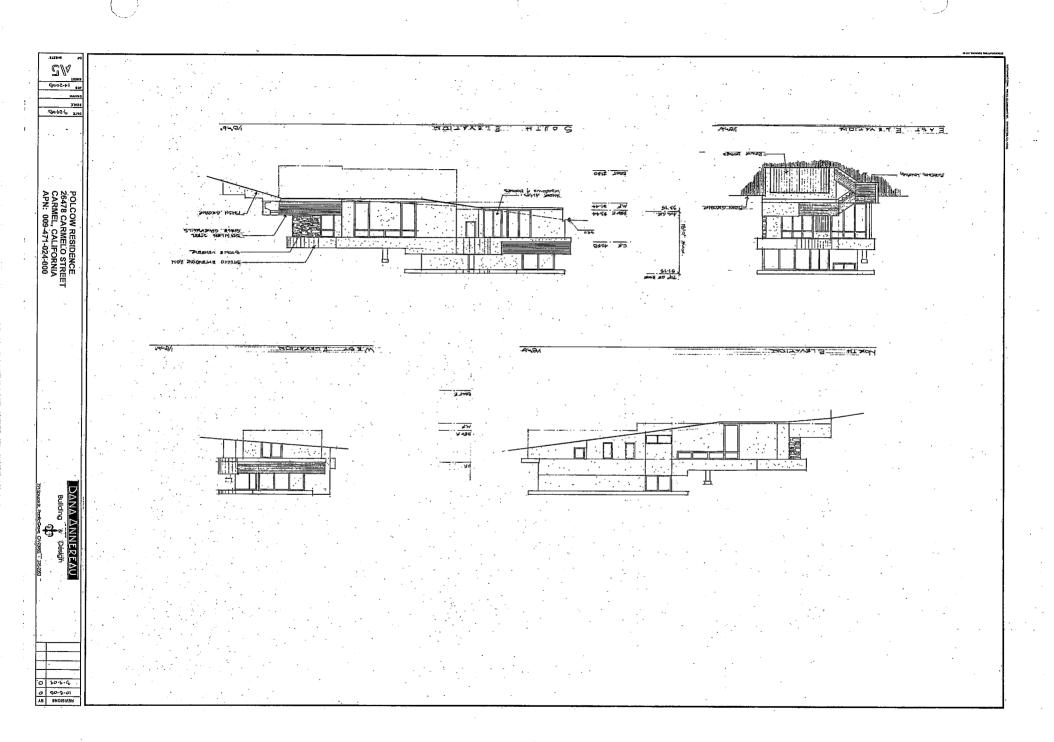
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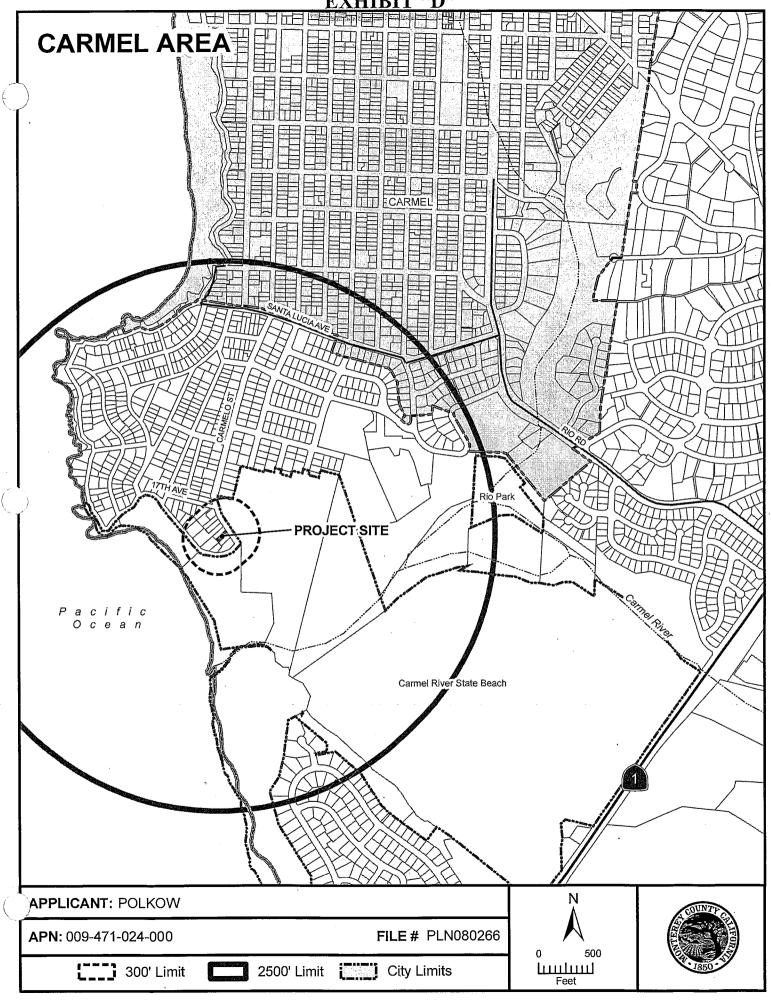












# EXHIBIT "E"

# **MINUTES**

# Carmel Unincorporated/Highlands Land Use Advisory Committee Monday, December 15, 2008

Meeting called to or	rder at 4; 10 pm by 13, Ra wer
A. Roll Call	
Members Present:	Weber, Berry, Horst, Davis, Wald, Wahren, Rainer
Members Absent:	None
B. Approval of Min (Date: 12-1-	utes: Motion: Volume (LUAC Member's Name)
(Date.	Second: Berry (LUAC Member's Name) es: 3 (Bory, Davis, Rainer)
Ау	es: 3 (Bory, Davis, Rainer)
No	es: None
	sent: 3. (Mehcen. Wald, Webor)
Ab	stain: 1- Horst (has not recd. training for LUAC membership to date
C. Public Comment	LUAC members my to desc
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- D. Scheduled Items see project referral sheets which follow
- **E. Other Items:** A) Preliminary Courtesy Presentations by Applicants Regarding Potential Projects/Applications:

None

# Action by Land Use Advisory Committee Project Referral Sheet

Monterey County Planning Department 168 W Alisal St 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Salinas CA 93901 (831) 755-5025

Advisory Committee: Carmel Unincorporated/Highlands

Please submit your recommendations for this application by Monday, December 15, 2008

Project Title: POLKOW STEVEN & MARIA

File Number: PLN080266

File Type: ZA

continued from 12/1/2008 meeting

Planner: GONZALES

Location: 26478 CARMELO ST CARMEL

Project Description: COMBINED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT CONSISTING OF 1) A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT

PERMIT TO ALLOW THE DEMOLITION OF AN EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING AND THE

CONSTRUCTION OF A 3,676 SQUARE FOOT SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING; 2) A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT

PERMIT FOR DEVELOPMENT WITH POSITIVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL REPORTS; AND 3) A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR THE REMOVAL OF A 48" PLANTED AND DISEASED CYPRESS TREE. THE

PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 26478 CARMELO ST, CARMEL AREA LAND USE PLAN, COASTAL ZONE.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Hone

AREAS OF CONCERN (e.g. traffic, neighborhood compatibility, visual impact, etc.):

# [PLN080266 POLKOW continued]

RECOMMENDED CHANGES/CONDITIONS (e.g. reduce scale, relocate on property, reduce lighting etc.):

highting of out door patro and dears should not show ugut source (veflected light back to wall surface). Commel River hagoon where numerous budlife is present is directly across Carameto St. and outdoor highling could impact wild life, highting of staw/steps to vesidence entrance must be at ground level to reduce lighting impacts.

Roof top arch, if allowed, would oxcred 18 ft. height riegulation. Planner should address this issue Committee members feet it should not be allowed, as it sets a precedent and could possibly impact neighbors to right and left of property regarding privacy issues.

ADDITIONAL LUAC COMMENTS:

Two colors for exterior stoces walls were submitted. The dorker of the two coives was preferred. Applicant was requested to return, and a later date, with actual color sample. Stone areas for exterior of home will be a combination of several being or sandy bown tones.

Diamage from this pancel and grading operations should not be allowed to pollute lagoon area across Cournels St. Ronoff from this project should be retained

on site.

RECOMMENDATION (e.g. recommend approval; recommend denial; recommend continuance):
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2. Colors of proposed vesidence to come back to Lute committee
fer danker brige color is preferred.  3. Lighting (outside) on decks and balcovires must be sub- und so actual light source is not soon.  4. Deck or roof top should be also is deck is belowed.
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AYES: 6 Davis, Wold. will replace cypress to be verniced.
NOES: None Meheen- 2nd to motion
ABSENT: None
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**EXHIBIT "F"** 

County of Monterey, State of California

# MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

Project Title:

POLKOW STEVEN & MARIA

File Number:

PLN080266

Owner:

**POLKOW STEVEN** 

26478 CARMELO ST

CARMEL CA 93923-9132

**Project Location:** 

26478 CARMELO ST CARMEL

Primary APN:

009-471-024-000

**Project Planner:** 

**ELIZABETH GONZALES** 

**Permit Type:** 

Combined Development Permit

**Project Description:** 

COMBINED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT CONSISTING OF 1) A COASTAL

DEVELOPMENT PERMIT TO ALLOW THE DEMOLITION OF AN EXISTING SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 3,676 SQUARE FOOT SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING; 2) A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR DEVELOPMENT WITH POSITIVE ARCHAEOLOGICAL REPORTS; AND 3) A COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT FOR THE REMOVAL OF A 48" PLANTED AND DISEASED CYPRESS TREE. THE PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 26478 CARMELO ST, CARMEL AREA LAND USE PLAN, COASTAL ZONE.

THIS PROPOSED PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT AS IT HAS BEEN FOUND:

- a) That said project will not have the potential to significantly degrade the quality of the environment.
- b) That said project will have no significant impact on long-term environmental goals.
- c) That said project will have no significant cumulative effect upon the environment.

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d) That said project will not cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly.

Decision Making Body (checl	cone):							
Planning Commission	Subdivision Committee	Responsible Agency: County of Monterey						
Zoning Administrator	Chief of Planning Services	Review Period Begins: Feb. 12, 2010						
Board of Supervisors	Other:	Review Period Ends: March 15, 2010						
urther information, including a copy of the application and Initial Study are available at the Monterey County								

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# MONTEREY COUNTY

PLANNING & BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT PO BOX 1208 SALINAS, CA 93902 (831) 755-5025 FAX: (831)755-5487



# NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION MONTEREY COUNTY ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Monterey County Planning and Building Inspection Department has prepared a draft Mitigated Negative Declaration, pursuant to the requirements of CEQA, for a Coastal Development Permit (Polkow, Planning number PLN080266) at 26478 Carmelo Street, Carmel (APN 009-471-024-000) (see description below). The Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study, as well as referenced documents, are available for review at the Monterey County Planning and Building Inspection Department, 240 Church Street, Room 116 and the Monterey City Library. The Zoning Administrator will consider this proposal at a meeting on April 8, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in the Monterey County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 240 Church Street, Salinas, California. Written comments on this Mitigated Negative Declaration will be accepted from February 12, 2010 to March 15, 2010. Comments can also be made during the public hearing.

**Project Description:** The proposed project consists of Coastal Development Permit to allow the demolition of an existing 1,529 square foot single family dwelling and construction of a new 3,676 square foot, three level single family dwelling with 1,284 square feet completely below grade located on generally the same foot print and Design Approval. The project calls for 500 cubic yards of excavation and 50 cubic yards of fill for the driveway access to allow for a basement along with a garage (approximately 8-12 feet of excavation below current grade). The excess cut (450 cubic yards) will be exported from the site to the Marina landfill. A 943 square foot, 6 foot high retaining wall will be replaced at the rear of the property and continued around three sides of the property. The project also includes the removal of a 48-inch planted Cypress tree which is diseased and in poor condition.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONTACT:

Elizabeth Gonzales, Project Planner
Monterey County Planning & Building Inspection Department
PO Box 1208
Salinas, CA 93902
(831) 755-5102

For reviewing agencies: The Planning and Building Inspection Department requests that you review the enclosed materials and provide any appropriate comments related to your agency's area of responsibility. The space below may be used to indicate that your agency has no comments or to state brief comments. In compliance with Section 15097 of the CEQA Guidelines, please provide a draft mitigation monitoring or reporting program for mitigation measures proposed by your agency. This program should include specific performance objectives for mitigation measures identified (CEQA Section 21081.6(c)). Also inform this Department if a fee needs to be collected in order to fund the mitigation monitoring or reporting by your agency and how that language should be incorporated into the mitigation measure.

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# INITIAL STUDY

## I. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Project Title: Polkow

File No.: PLN080266

Project Location: 26478 Carmelo Street, Carmel

Name of Property Owner: Steven Polkow

Name of Applicant: Dana Annereau

Assessor's Parcel Number(s): 009-471-024-000

Acreage of Property: 5,588 square feet

General Plan Designation: Residential

Zoning District: MDR/2-D (18) (CZ)

Medium Density Residential/ 2 units per acre with a Design Control overlay and an 18 foot height limit in the Coastal Zone

Lead Agency: Monterey County Resource Management Agency - Planning

Department

Prepared By: Elizabeth Gonzales, Planner

Date Prepared: January 4, 2010

Contact Person: Elizabeth Gonzales

Phone Number: (831) 755-5102; gonzalesl@co.monterey.ca.us

### II. DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

- A. Project Description: The proposed project consists of Coastal Development Permit to allow the demolition of an existing 1,529 square foot single family dwelling and construction of a new 3,676 square foot, three level single family dwelling with 1,284 square feet completely below grade located on generally the same foot print and Design Approval. The project calls for 500 cubic yards of excavation and 50 cubic yards of fill for the driveway access to allow for a basement along with a garage (approximately 8-12 feet of excavation below current grade). The excess cut (450 cubic yards) will be exported from the site to the Marina landfill. A 943 square foot, 6 foot high retaining wall will be replaced at the rear of the property and continued around three sides of the property. The project also includes the removal of a 48-inch planted Cypress tree which is diseased and in poor condition.
- В. Environmental Setting and Surrounding Land Uses: The subject property is located in the unincorporated area of Carmel-By-The-Sea near Carmel State Beach, and overlooking the Carmel River Lagoon and wetland area between Carmelo Street between 17th Avenue and Scenic Road in Carmel. The house is part of a neighborhood of one and two story houses of many of ages, sizes, styles and materials. The house sits on a modest sized lot up above the road and for this reason is not readily visible. There is little landscaping but a Monterey Cypress sits between the house and the road further obscuring visibility of the house. The lot is a previously developed 5,588 square foot site with an existing 1,529 square foot single family dwelling proposed for removal. The existing dwelling is accessed by a driveway that slopes down from Carmelo Street. Site topography is relatively sloping to the west at an average slope of 2 to 15 percent. The portions of the lot not covered by structures and hardscape consist of a landscaped front yard and a natural mixture of brush covering the side and backyards due to lack of attention and use of these areas. There is a significant Monterey Cypress tree approximately 48 inches in diameter located in the front of the property that will be removed for access to the garage below grade. A Tree Assessment/Arborist Report has determined the planted tree is diseased and in poor health. The site is located within a medium density urban neighborhood with residential uses on both sides of the property with the Carmel Lagoon directly across the street.

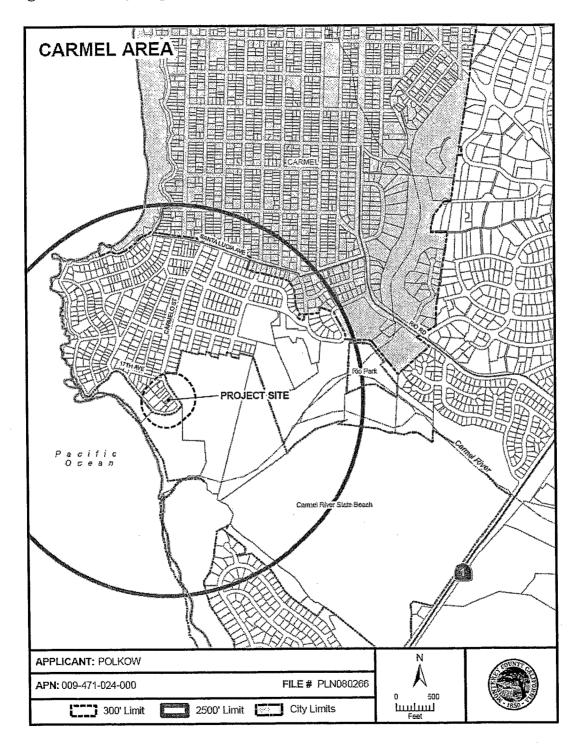
The project is located within a high seismic zone. A geotechnical investigation with geologic considerations determined that the soil conditions are suitable for the proposed new residential building at the project site with the recommendations noted in the report.

The subject property is located within a "high" archaeological sensitivity zone. Pursuant to Section 20.146.090 CIP, an archaeological survey shall be required for a development within a high archaeological sensitivity zone as mapped on current county resource maps. There are six Archaeological reports that have been prepared for this parcel. All of them conclude that this is a positive site with the possibility of human remains. According to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15064.5, a positive site cannot be categorically exempt and requires an Initial Study.

Pursuant to CEQA Section 21083.2. Archaeological Resources (a) as part of the determination made pursuant to Section 21080.1, the lead agency shall determine whether the project may have a significant effect on archaeological resources. If the lead agency determines that the project

may have a significant effect on unique archaeological resources, the environmental impact report shall address the issue of those resources.

Figure 1- Vicinity Map



# III. PROJECT CONSISTENCY WITH OTHER APPLICABLE LOCAL AND STATE PLANS AND MANDATED LAWS

Use the list below to indicate plans applicable to the project and verify their consistency or non-consistency with project implementation.

General Plan/Area Plan	Air Quality Mgmt. Plan	
Specific Plan	Airport Land Use Plans	
Water Quality Control Plan	Local Coastal Program-LUP	

General Plan/Area Plan. The proposed project was reviewed for consistency with the 1982 Monterey County General Plan and the Carmel Area Land Use Plan. Section IV. 9 (Land Use and Planning) discusses whether the project physically divides an established community; conflicts with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (refer to Local Coastal Program-LUP discussion below); or conflicts with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan. **CONSISTENT** 

## Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP).

Consistency with the AQMP is an indication of a project's cumulative adverse impact on regional air quality (ozone levels). It is not an indication of project-specific impacts, which are evaluated according to the Air District's adopted thresholds of significance. Inconsistency with the AQMP is considered a significant cumulative air quality impact. Consistency of a residential project is determined by comparing the project population at the year of project completion with the population forecast for the appropriate five year increment that is listed in the AQMP. If the population increase resulting from the project would not cause the estimated cumulative population to exceed the relevant forecast, the project would be consistent with the population forecasts in the AQMP. The project is consistent with the 1982 Monterey County General Plan and with the Association of Monterey Bay Area Governments (AMBAG) regional population and employment forecast. The proposed project will not increase the population of the area nor generate additional permanent vehicle trips. Therefore, the project will be consistent with the AQMP. **CONSISTENT** 

Water Quality Control Plan. The Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) incorporates the County's General Plan in its preparation of regional water quality plans. In addition, the project is consistent with the parameters required for a Regional Board Subsurface Disposal Exemption. Section VI. 8 (Hydrology and Water Quality) below discusses whether the proposed project violates any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements, substantially depletes groundwater supplies or interferes substantially with groundwater recharge, substantially alters the existing drainage pattern of the site or area or creates or contributes runoff water that would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage. **CONSISTENT** 

#### Local Coastal Program - LUP

The proposal was reviewed for consistency with the Carmel Area Land Use Plan (CLUP). Section IV. 9 (Land Use and Planning) discusses whether the project physically divides an established community; conflicts with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project; or conflicts with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan. As discussed therein, the proposed project is consistent with the Carmel Area LUP. **CONSISTENT** 

# IV. ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED AND DETERMINATION

#### A. FACTORS

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, as discussed within the checklist on the following pages.

W	Aesthetics	Agriculture Resources	Air Quality
	Biological Resources	 Cultural Resources	Geology/Soils
	Hazards/Hazardous Materials	Hydrology/Water Quality	Land Use/Planning
	Mineral Resources	Noise	Population/Housing
	Public Services	Recreation	Transportation/Traffic
	Utilities/Service Systems		·

Some proposed applications that are not exempt from CEQA review may have little or no potential for adverse environmental impact related to most of the topics in the Environmental Checklist; and/or potential impacts may involve only a few limited subject areas. These types of projects are generally minor in scope, located in a non-sensitive environment, and are easily identifiable and without public controversy. For the environmental issue areas where there is no potential for significant environmental impact (and not checked above), the following finding can be made using the project description, environmental setting, or other information as supporting evidence.

☐ Check here if this finding is not applicable

FINDING: For the above referenced topics that are not checked off, there is no potential for significant environmental impact to occur from either construction, operation or maintenance of the proposed project and no further discussion in the Environmental Checklist is necessary.

- **EVIDENCE**: Many of the above topics on the checklist do not apply. Less than significant or potentially significant impacts are identified for cultural resources, aesthetics, geologic and soils. Mitigation measures are provided as warranted. The project will have no quantifiable adverse environmental effect on the categories <u>not</u> checked above, as follows:
  - 2. <u>Agricultural Resources</u>. The project site is not designated as Prime, Unique or Farmland of Statewide or Local Importance and project construction would not result in conversion of prime agricultural lands to non-agricultural uses. The site is not under a Williamson Act Contract. Development adjacent to prime farmland shall be planned to be compatible with the continued agricultural use of the land (Policy 2.6.2 CALUP). The project site is located within an urban area and is not located adjacent to agriculturally designated lands. *Therefore, the proposed project will have no impacts related to Agricultural Resources*. (Source: IX. 1, 2, 3, 5 & 6)
  - 4. <u>Biological Resources</u>. In addition to compliance with forestry and soils resources policies, all developments, forest management activities and tree removal shall specifically conform to the LCP policies regarding water and marine resources, sensitive habitat area and coastal visual resources (CALUP 2.5.3.8). The proposed site does not contain any environmentally sensitive habitat areas. The project would not have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a sensitive or special status species and would not have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community. Although there is one planted Cypress tree proposed for removal, the Tree Assessment/Arborist Plan states that it is diseased and considered a hazard to construction activities and recommends its removal. (Source IX. 1, 3, 5 & 10). Therefore, the project will have no impacts related to Biological Resources.
    - 7. <u>Hazards/Hazardous Materials</u>. The proposal involves residential development where there would be no use of hazardous materials that would constitute a threat of explosion or other significant release that would pose a threat to neighboring properties. The project, given the nature of its proposed use (one single-family residence), would not involve the transport, use, or disposal of any hazardous materials. There are no known hazards or hazardous materials associated with this project. The proposed residence would not involve stationary operations, create hazardous emissions or handle hazardous materials. The site location and scale have no impact on emergency response or emergency evacuation. The site is not located near an airport or airstrip (Source: IX. 1, 2, 5 & 9). The Cypress Fire Protection District reviewed the project application and recommended conditions of approval regarding fire safety, including a fire sprinkler system. Therefore, the proposed project would have no impacts related to Hazards/Hazardous Materials.
    - 8. <u>Hydrology/Water Quality</u>. The proposed project will not violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements nor substantially alter the existing drainage patter of the site or area. The proposed project is not located within a 100 year

floodplain and would not impede or redirect flood flows. The County should require new development in the Cal-Am service area to employ water conservation techniques to the greatest possible extent. This would include, among other things, use of water-saving fixtures, retention of native vegetation, and use of drought-tolerant landscaping (CALUP 3.2.3.3). The California American Water Company currently provides and will continue to provide water for the property. Fixtures will be replaced with low flow and water saving facilities. The Monterey County Water Resources Agency and Environmental Health Division have reviewed the project application and as conditioned deemed that the project complies with applicable ordinances and regulations. (Source: IX. 1, 3, 4, 5 & 7). Therefore, the proposed project would have no impacts related to Hydrology/Water Quality.

- 9. <u>Land Use/Planning</u> The project will not physically divide an established community nor disrupt, divide, or otherwise have a negative impact upon the existing neighborhood or adjacent properties. The project does not conflict with applicable land use plan, policy or habitat conservation plan. All future development within the Carmel Coastal segment must be clearly consistent with and subordinate to the foremost priority of protecting the area's scenic beauty and natural resource values (CALUP 4.4.1). The parcel is zoned for Medium Density Residential Use and the project as proposed meets all the site development standards including the 18-foot height limit (Source: IX. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 & 7). Therefore, the proposed project will have no impacts related to Land Use/Planning.
- 10. <u>Mineral Resources</u>. No mineral resources have been identified or would be affected by this project (Source: IX. 1, 3, 5, 6, & 7). Therefore, the proposed project would have no impacts related to Mineral Resources.
- 11. Noise. The proposed project will not expose people to or generate noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance nor will have a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity. The project is not located within an airport land use plan or, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport or vicinity of a private airstrip. The construction of one single-family home within a residential area would not be exposed to noise levels that exceed standards and would not substantially increase ambient noise levels. Temporary construction activities shall comply with the County's noise Control Ordinance, as required in the County Code, Chapter 10.60 of the Monterey County Code. (Source: IX. 1, 2, 3, 5, 7 & 8). Therefore, the proposed project will have no impact upon Noise.
- 12. <u>Population/Housing</u>. As this is a replacement of an existing structure, the proposed project would not induce substantial population in the area, either directly through the replacement of one single-family home within a residential area or indirectly as no new infrastructure would be extended to the site. The project would not alter the location, distribution, or density of human population in the area in any significant way, or create a demand for additional housing (Source: IX. 1, 3, 5 & 6). Therefore, the proposed project would have no impacts related to Population and Housing.

- 13. Public Services. The project would have no substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically-altered governmental facilities in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services, such as fire, police, schools and parks. There will be no measurable effect on existing public services in that the incremental increase demand would not require expansion of any services to serve the project. The proposed project consists of the construction of one new single-family home to replace an existing single family home proposed for demolition which is currently being served by existing services and utilities. The Monterey County Water Resources Agency, Monterey County Public Works Department, the Environmental Health Division, and the Cypress Fire Protection District have reviewed the project. These agencies provided comments on the project, which are incorporated into the project as conditions of approval. None of the County departments / service providers indicated that this project would result in significant impacts (Source: IX. 1, 3 & 5). Therefore, the proposed project would have no impacts related to Public Services.
- 14. Recreation. The proposed project would not increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated nor does it include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment. The construction of one new single-family home will replace the existing single family home proposed for demolition. The Parks Department viewed the existing structure with respect to its historic presence and determined that it does not meet the criteria for an historic structure. Public Access shall be protected and provided where consistent with public safety needs and the need to protect the rights of private property owners and natural resource areas from overuse (CALUP 5.3.1). No parks, trail easements, or other recreational opportunities would be adversely impacted by the proposed project (Source: IX. 1, 2, 3 & 5). Therefore, the proposed project would have no impacts related to Recreation.
- 16. <u>Utilities and Service Systems</u>. The proposed project will have sufficient water supplies and a wastewater treatment provider available to service the project. The proposed project will also have sufficient landfill permitted capacity. The proposed project consists of the replacement of an existing single family home with existing public utilities and services provided by California American Water Company and the Carmel Area Wastewater District (Source IX. 1, 3, 5 & 6). Therefore, the proposed project would have no impacts related to Utilities and Service Systems.

#### B. DETERMINATION

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

Ш	Ι	find	that	the	proposed	project	COULD	NOT	have	a	significant	effect	on	the
environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.														

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I find that although the proposed project could environment, because all potentially significant effect in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation proposed project, nothing further is required.	cts (a) have been analyzed adequately pursuant to applicable standards, and o that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE
Signature	Date
 Elizabeth Gonzales	Associate Planner
Printed Name	Title

# V. EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on project-specific screening analysis).

- 2) All answers must take into account the whole action involved, including offsite as well as onsite, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level mitigation measures from Section XVII, "Earlier Analyses," may be cross-referenced).
- 5) Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
  - a) Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
  - b) Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
  - c) Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- 6) Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
- 7) Supporting Information Sources: A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- 8) The explanation of each issue should identify:
  - a) The significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and
  - b) The mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance.

## VI. ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

1.	AESTHETICS	Potentially Significant	Less Than Significant With Mitigation	Less Than Significant	No
Wot	ıld the project:	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	Impact
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista? (Source: 1, 3, 4, 5, 6)			<i>₩</i>	
b)	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5, 6)				
c)	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5, 6)				
d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5, 6)				

## Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation:

The project parcel is located on the west side of Carmelo Street directly across a narrow asphalt road from Carmel River State Beach in the residential neighborhood east of Carmel Point. The project parcel is approximately on the bay shoreline and is approximately 50 feet above mean sea level. The parcel slopes to the east with a view of the Carmel River Lagoon. The residence is surrounded by eclectic gardens, as the previous owner was a botanist. A Monterey Cypress sits between the house and the road further obscuring visibility of the house.

#### Aesthetics 1(a), (b), (c), (d) - Less Than Significant Impact

The proposed building site is located on an existing parcel that is visible from Scenic Road, which is a designated scenic roadway as described in Map A General Viewshed. The portion of a parcel least visible from public viewpoints and corridors shall be considered the most appropriate site for the location of new structures (Carmel Area Land Use Plan Policy 2.2.3.4). The house sits on a modest-sized lot up above the road and for this reason is not readily visible. It is located in a residential neighborhood with other dwellings of similar size and character making up much of the view on the east side of Scenic Road. The Carmel River Lagoon is directly across the street. Although the large Cypress tree is proposed for removal because it is diseased and poses a hazard, it will not cause additional visibility of the proposed structure.

According to Policy 2.2.2 of the Carmel Area Land Use Plan, "To protect the scenic resources of the Carmel area perpetuity, all future development within the viewshed must harmonize and be clearly subordinate to the natural scenic character of the area." The project would result in the replacement of an existing single family dwelling in the same footprint of the existing structure. Although the proposed residence is taller than the existing dwelling, the height of the proposed

residence meets the 18-foot height limit restriction required in the zoning district shown on Monterey County zoning maps. The project is also visible from a public viewing area (Carmel Beach). "Structures located in the viewshed shall be designed so that they blend into the site and surrounding. Exterior lighting shall be adequately shielded or shall be designed at near-ground level and directed downwards to reduce its long-range visibility." (Carmel Area Land Use Plan Policy 2.2.4.10.c and Policy 2.2.4.10.d) The applicant proposed to use colors and materials of beige stucco with accents of Carmel stone. Lighting will be conditioned to require low near ground lighting. Therefore, impacts are less than significant.

#### 2. AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES

In determining whether impacts to agricultural resources are significant environmental effects, lead agencies may refer to the California Agricultural Land Evaluation and Site Assessment Model (1997) prepared by the California Dept. of Conservation as an optional model to use in assessing impacts on agriculture and farmland.

Woi	ıld the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use? (Source:1, 2, 3, 5 & 6)				
b)	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract? (Source:1, 2, 3, 5 & 6)			<b>_</b>	
c)	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use? (Source:1, 2, 3, 5 & 6)				

Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation: See Section IV.

3. AIR QUALITY

Where available, the significance criteria established by the applicable air quality management or air pollution control district may be relied upon to make the following determinations.

Wo	uld the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No. Impact
a)	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan? (Source:1, 5, 6, 7 & 8)				
b)	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? (Source:1, 5, 6, 7 & 8)				
c)	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)? (Source:1, 5, 6, 7 & 8)				
d)	Result in significant construction-related air quality impacts? (Source: 1, 5, 6, 7 & 8)				
e)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations? (Source: 1, 5, 6, 7 & 8)				d
f)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people? (Source: 1, 5, 6, 7 & 8)				

## Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation:

The Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District (MBUAPCD) prepared the Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) for the Monterey Bay Region. The AQMP addresses the attainment and maintenance of State and federal ambient air quality standards within the North Central Coast Air Basin (NCCAB).

# Air Quality (a), (b), (c), (e) (f) - No Impact

The proposed project will not conflict with or obstruct the implementation of any air quality plan. The proposed project will not contribute substantially or result in cumulatively considerable pollutant or expose any sensitive receptors or create objectionable odors.

## Air Quality (d) - Less Than Significant Impact

Excavation of the garage for the project site will result in temporary minor increases in emissions from construction vehicles and dust generation. The CEQA Air Quality Guidelines outline a threshold for construction activities with potentially significant impacts for PM<sub>10</sub> to be 2.2 acres of disturbance a day. As less than 2.2 acres will be disturbed by this project it has been judged not to constitute a significant impact. Generally, in the long-term, the primary source of air emissions is vehicular traffic. The development on the project site for a single family home will

be in accordance with the AMBAG population projections, which is accommodated in the AQMP. Therefore, the proposed project will have a less than significant impact upon air quality.

4.	BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES		Less Than		
Wo	ould the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? (Source: 1, 3, 5 & 10)				
b)	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 10)				
c)	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 10)				
d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 10)				
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 10)				
f)	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 10)				

Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation: See Section IV.

5. W	CULTURAL RESOURCES	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in 15064.5? (Source:1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17)				in Projection
b)	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to 15064.5? (Source:1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17):				
c)	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature? (Source:1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17)				
d)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries? (Source:1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 & 17)		); (*)		

#### Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation:

The Carmel area shoreline from Carmel Point to Point Lobos Reserve contains one of the densest remaining concentrations of shellfish gathering activities in central California. These archaeological deposits have been identified as a highly significant and sensitive resource. As such, archaeological surveys shall be required for all new subdivisions and for all other development within close proximity of known sites. Such surveys shall be performed by qualified individuals (Policy 2.8.3.5 Carmel Area Land Use Plan).

After many meetings with the applicants and research done by the County, staff found that it was necessary to question whether a basement would be allowed for this project. Evidence of existing permits revealed that certain construction details were done to avoid disturbance of parcels that are positive for cultural resources. For example, a neighboring parcel 26448 Carmelo Street, Carmel (PLN010169) consisted of the demolition of existing single family residence and construction of new single family residence. The applicants opted to place the home on a series of 50 helical steel piers which are screwed down into the earth until a specified degree of resistance is obtained. This was done to avoid disturbance of resources to a less than significant level.

The Carmel Area Land Use Plan, Policy 2.8.3.4, specifically states, "When developments are proposed for parcels where archaeological or other cultural sites are located, project design shall be required which avoids or substantially minimizes impacts to such cultural sites. To this end, emphasis should be placed on preserving the entire site rather than on excavation of the resources, particularly where the site has potential religious significance."

However, there were two other neighboring parcels that did not encounter archaeological deposits or artifacts during project activities. Neighboring parcel 26401 Scenic Road, Carmel (PLN030332) consisted of the demolition of existing single family residence and construction of

a new single family residence with below grade garage: A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared requiring archaeological monitoring with no evidence of archaeological deposits or artifacts. And neighboring parcel 26321 Scenic Road, Carmel (PLN000654) consisted of a partial demolition and addition of 900 square feet to first and second stories to an existing single family dwelling. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was also prepared requiring archaeological monitoring with no found archaeological deposits or artifacts.

#### Cultural Resources 5(a) - No Impact.

The proposed project includes the demolition of an existing single family dwelling. While the Assessor's records show that the dwelling was built in 1947, there is no record indicating that this house was the site of any significant historic event. A Phase I Historic Assessment prepared by Elizabeth Moore Architect dated March 4, 2009, determined the structure is not listed in any registrar of historic places, and has been altered less than 50 years ago, and has no historical significance. Therefore, pursuant to Section 21084.1, the structure does not qualify as being historic.

<u>Cultural Resources 5(b), 5(c), & 5(d) – Less than significant with mitigation incorporated</u>. Specifically, the subject property is located within a "high" archaeological sensitivity zone. Pursuant to Section 20.146.090 CIP, an archaeological survey shall be required for a development within a high archaeological sensitivity zone as mapped on current county resource maps.

There are six Archaeological reports that have been prepared for this parcel. All of them conclude that this is a positive site with existing human remains and the possibility of more human remains being found. Several of the archaeological and construction projects on nearby parcels along Carmelo, within the same archaeological site, have produced Native American remains. The reports are as follows and contain a summary of each finding:

Preliminary Cultural Resources Reconnaissance for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000 (LIB100015) prepared by Susan Morley dated February 2006. Conclusion and Recommendation: The project parcel was methodically inspected for evidence of significant prehistoric or historic cultural remains. This planning project may disturb cultural resources that have some significance, although this is not knowable until the project begins. Therefore, as a condition of soil disturbing activities, the author recommends that a qualified archaeologist be present to monitor construction activities during the demolition of the existing retaining wall.

Report on Monitoring Program for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000 (LIB100016) prepared by Susan Morley, September 2006. No significant features were noted during the trenching of the retaining wall. However, one small fragment of human cranium was recovered during the monitoring program. The Native American Heritage Commission was notified along with the coroner's office and appropriate measures were taken. Recommendation: If any construction projects come forth, they must be monitored by a qualified archaeologist as human remains have been recovered on the project parcel and evidence that the parcel is within CA-MNT-17 is irrefutable.

Preliminary Archaeological Reconnaissance (LIB100017) prepared by Archaeological Consulting dated October 31, 2008 concluded that based on background research, the surface

reconnaissance and the auger borings, that the project parcel contains potentially significant archaeological resources and a portion of prehistoric site CA-MNT-17. It is likely that the project, as designed, will entail substantial disturbance of the cultural resources on the project parcel. Staff spoke with Gary Breschini of Archaeological Consulting regarding the possibility of revising the plans to delete the basement level and possibly reducing the impacts to less than significant. Mr. Breschini stated that it would depend on the type of foundation used and if any utility trenching would take place.

Archaeological Resources Assessment (LIB100018) prepared by Basin Research Associates dated August 4, 2009 concludes the CA-MNT-17 is within the proposed project. Sandy black sediments similar to the midden soils known for the site have been exposed on the parcel at approximately two feet below the present surface and appear to extend to 5 or 6 feet below the existing grade. These observations are similar to other adjacent properties. There is a high potential for the exposure of culturally-affected soils with prehistoric archaeological materials that may be significant. There appears to be a small probability of exposing Native American human remains based on the presence of a small cranial fragment noted during archaeological monitoring in 2006 at the rear of the property line. However, the lack of formal artifacts, the presence of saw-cut animal bone at depth, and impacts from previous residential construction (cut and fill) and infrastructure over the past 80 years suggest that intact, significant resources may not be present.

Proposal for Archaeological Testing Program for 26478 Carmelo Street (LIB100019) prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated November 17, 2009 Based upon the results of previous investigations, an archaeological testing program was recommended to be completed prior to the proposed project. This report confirmed the presence of prehistoric midden soils on the property, and recommended an archaeological testing program be carried out prior to construction excavation for the proposed project. The archaeological testing program will consist of one 1 x 1 meter unit.

Archaeological Testing Program for 26478 Carmelo Street (LIB100020) prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated January 4, 2010 This testing program was carried out to determine the extent of the subsurface archaeological deposit on the property, and to define its boundaries, depth, and constituents. The archaeological program consisted of one 1 x 1 meter unit, which was hand excavated on November 27, 2009. Native American monitors were present during all subsurface excavation. The archaeological excavations confirmed the presence of Native American cultural materials within the proposed project area, and give a better understanding of its age, contents, and the activities of the prehistoric peoples who once lived in this location. No traces of human remains were recovered during the archaeological testing program. Based on the results of this testing program it is recommended that all proposed demolition and subsurface construction excavation of the property be monitored by qualified professional archaeological materials or features are exposed during excavation, the field archaeologist will have authority to temporarily halt construction to allow these materials to be identified and recovered.

Because of the known recovery sites, the Carmel Area Land Use Plan does not allow these archaeological sensitive areas to be categorically exempt from environmental review (Policy 2.8.4.5 Carmel Area Land Use Plan). Also, Pursuant to CEQA Section 21083.2, Archaeological Resources (a) as part of the determination made pursuant to Section 21080.1, the lead agency shall determine whether the project may have a significant effect on archaeological resources. If the lead agency determines that the project may have a significant effect on unique archaeological resources, the environmental impact report shall address the issue of those resources.

There are policies within the Carmel Area Land Use Plan that require protection of cultural heritage values. **Key Policy 2.8.2 Carmel Area Land Use Plan,** states that those areas considered to be archaeologically sensitive but not yet surveyed and mapped, shall be maintained and protected for their scientific and cultural heritage values.

Also, Policy 2.8.3.2 Carmel Area Land Use Plan requires Monterey County to encourage the timely identification and evaluation of archaeological, historical and paleontological resources in order that these resources be given consideration during the conceptual design phase of land use planning or project development. With the evidence gathered from all six reports, the County will require an Archaeological monitor to be present on site along with the representative of the Native American Heritage Commission.

When other site planning constraints do not permit avoidance of construction on archaeological or other types of a cultural site, adequate preservation measures shall be required. Mitigation shall be designed in accord with guidelines of the State Office of Historic Preservation and the State of California Native American Heritage Commission (Policy 2.8.4.6 Carmel Area Land Use Plan).

All available measures, including purchase of archaeological easements, dedication to the County, tax relief, purchase of development rights, etc., shall be explored to avoid development on sensitive prehistoric or archaeological sites (Policy 2.8.3.3 Carmel Area Land Use Plan).

#### **Mitigation Measure #1:**

An on-site pre-construction meeting shall be held between the applicant, the archaeologist, the representative of the Native American Heritage Commission and the contractor to discuss the mitigation requirements, scheduling of construction and to assure an understanding of the mitigations.

#### **Monitoring Action #1:**

Prior to any construction, evidence of a site meeting between all parties involved shall be submitted to the Director of the RMA – Planning Department. Evidence shall consist of a letter summarizing what was discussed.

#### Mitigation Measure #2:

An agreement between the applicant a professional archaeologist and a Native American Monitor shall be signed stating that they shall be present during construction or pre-construction activities that involve earth disturbance, such as foundation demolition, grading, excavation for the garage and basement, footings and utilities, etc.

#### **Monitoring Action #2:**

A copy of the signed agreement shall be submitted to RMA-Planning Department for review and approval prior to issuance of any grading/building permits.

Additional on-going monitoring Action:

The text of the mitigation measure shall be posted and maintained at the project site for the duration of construction.

## Mitigation Measure #3:

If archaeological resources or human remains are accidentally discovered during construction, the following steps will be taken:

There shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlie adjacent human remains until:

The coroner of the county in which the remains are discovered must be contacted to determine that no investigation of the cause of death is required, and

If the coroner determines the remains to be Native American:

- The coroner shall contact the Native American Heritage Commission and the RMA Planning Department within 24 hours.
- The Native American Heritage Commission shall identify the person or persons from a recognized local tribe of the Esselen, Salinan, Costonoans/ Ohlone and Chumash tribal groups, as appropriate, to be the most likely descendent.
- The most likely descendent may make recommendations to the landowner or the person responsible for the excavation work, for means of treating or disposing of, with appropriate dignity, the human remains and any associated grave goods as provided in Public Resources Code Section 5097.9 and 5097.993, or
  - Where the following conditions occur, the landowner or his authorized representatives shall rebury the Native American human remains and associated grave goods with appropriate dignity on the property in a location not subject to further subsurface disturbance.
  - 1. The Native American Heritage Commission is unable to identify a most likely descendent or the most likely descendent failed to make a recommendation within 24 hours after being notified by the commission.
  - 2. The descendent identified fails to make a recommendation; or
  - 3. The landowner or his authorized representative rejects the recommendation of the descendent, and the mediation by the Native American Heritage Commission fails to provide measures acceptable to the landowner.

### **Monitoring Action #3:**

Prior to issuance of any grading/building permits, the applicant shall submit the contracts with a Registered Professional Archaeologist, a Registered Professional Anthropologist and a

representative of the Ohlone Costanoane Esselen Nation to the Director of the RMA – Planning Department for review and approval.

6.	GEOLOGY AND SOILS	Potentially	Less Than Significant With	Less Than	NI.
W	ould the project:	Significant Impact	Mitigation Incorporated	Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:				
	i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? (Source:1, 3, 6, 9) Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.	<u>.</u>			
	ii) Strong seismic ground shaking? (Source:1, 3, 6, 9)				
	iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction? (Source:1, 6, 9)	_ 🗆			
	iv) Landslides? (Source:1, 6, 9)				
b)	Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil? (Source:1, 9)			93. 24	
c)	Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse? (Source:1, 9)				
d)	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property? (Source:1, 9)				
e)	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative wastewater disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of				

## Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation:

Located in the unincorporated area of Carmel near the City of Carmel, the project site is located approximately 4 miles northeasterly of the San Gregorio Fault and 4.6 miles southwesterly of the Monterey Bay-Tularcitos Fault, both considered to be B rated Faults on the "Maps of Known Active Fault near Source Zones in California and Adjacent Portions of Nevada. However, the

concealed Cypress Point Fault, a C rated fault, does appear to transect the northeasterly comer of the subject property; that fault is shown on the "Geologic Map of the Monterey Peninsula and Vicinity and is subject to seismic related problems. The near surface and subsurface soils were found to be non-plastic and non-expansive. No unsuitable soil conditions were found in the test borings for foundation purposes other than the very loose to loose sandy soil found to depths of 6 to 6.5 feet below surface. Grading consists of 450 cubic yards of excavation. Excavation will go down approximately three to four feet below current excavated pad in order to prepare for the below grade garage. The collapsing retaining wall will have a footing of approximately three to four feet.

The Carmel Land Use Plan defines high hazard areas to include zones 1/8 mile each side of active or potentially active faults. The project parcel is located approximately 600 feet from the Cypress Point Fault. A Geologic and Soils Engineering Report, prepared by Soil Surveys, Inc. in October 2008, was submitted for the proposed project. The report concluded that the concealed Cypress Point Fault appears to cross the northeasterly corner of the subject property.

#### Geology and Soils 6(a(iv), (c), & (e) - No Impact

Pursuant to Policies 2.7.4.7.a-g Carmel Area Land Use Plan, "Where soils and geologic reports are required, they should include a description and analysis of the following items: geologic conditions, including soil, sediment, and rock types; evidence of past or potential landslide conditions; impact of construction activity; ground and surface water conditions; potential erodibility of site; potential effects of seismic forces and any other factors that might affect slope stability." The Geologic and Soils Engineering Report addressed these issues and concluded that liquefaction and lateral spreading were determined to have a very low potential of occurrence, due to the soils on the site not having properties normally associated with these situations and therefore having a low potential for surface rupture. Since the site is relatively flat and not in close proximity to significant slopes, there is no potential for adverse impacts from landslides or exposure to people or structures, including the risk of loss, injury, or death. The project will be served by the Carmel Area Wastewater District so the adequacy of the soil for sewage disposal is irrelevant.

#### Geology and Soils 6(a(i-iii)) and (b) Less Than Significant Impact

All development shall be sited and designed to conform to site topography and to minimize grading and other site preparation activities. Applications for grading and building permits and applications for subdivisions shall be reviewed for potential impact on onsite and offsite development arising from geologic and seismic hazards and erosion. Mitigation measures shall be required as necessary (Policy 2.7.4.1 Carmel Area Land Use Plan).

The report discussed the risk associated with the site location and characteristics including soils suitability, tendencies, and seismic effects. Located in a seismically active region, strong seismic ground shaking will undoubtedly occur at the site in the future. The engineer, having taken into account the applicable information, has recommended design features and procedures to reduce the risk of loss, injury or death regarding the proposed project to a less than significant level. The proposed building must be designed in strict compliance with the 2007 California Building Code and the 2006 International Building Code to help withstand such seismically generated ground accelerations for a reasonably expected duration without suffering major damage. The

report concluded that the site is suitable, from a soil-engineering standpoint, for the proposed development provided the recommendations in the report are implemented.

#### Geology and Soils 6(d) - Less Than Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated

According to the Geologic and Soils Engineering Report submitted there were very loose to loose sandy soils found to depths of 6 to 6.5 feet below surface. In anticipation of excavation and fill within the building site especially excavation for the partial basement, the following mitigation measures are recommended for the proposed project:

Mitigation Measure #4: The loose native soils outside of the excavation for the partial basement shall be subexcavated for a depth of at least five feet; the bottom of the subexcavation shall then be recompacted to 90% relative compaction, and engineered backfill shall be placed in eight inch loose lifts compacted to 90% relative compaction to the designed subgrade of the building pad.

Monitoring Action #4: Prior to issuance of a grading and/or a building permit, construction plans shall contain the recommendations for excavation in order to mitigate the loose near surface soil conditions.

<u>Mitigation Measure #5</u>: Roof and site water shall be directed away from the new building foundations for a minimum slope of 5% in ten feet and shall discharge onto the driveway or within suitable down slope drainage areas.

<u>Monitoring Action #5:</u> Prior to issuance of a grading and/or a building permit, a drainage plan shall be submitted to Monterey County Water Resources Agency and RMA-Planning for review and approval.

Mitigation Measure #6: A qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer shall be retained to inspect and approve all new foundation footing and basement retaining wall footing excavations for soil bearing conditions; Soil surveys shall also inspect and test all grading operations and approve the subgrade below new concrete floor and garage slabs prior to placement of reinforcing steel.

Monitoring Action #6: Prior to issuance of a grading and building Permit, applicant/owner shall retain a qualified licensed geotechnical engineer to review and approve the grading, drainage, and foundation plans prior to construction. A copy of a contract to retain a qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer shall be submitted to the Planning Department. The applicant shall provide evidence of the presence of a qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer on-site during excavation of the new construction and any measures necessary to be in place and in good order through construction. Photos should be dated on a monthly basis and submitted with a certification from a qualified, licensed geotechnical engineer.

7.	HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS		Less Than		
W	ould the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials? (Source:1, 2, 5 & 9)				
b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment? (Source:1, 2, 5 & 9)	· 🗆			
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school? (Source:1, 2, 5 & 9)				
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment? (Source:1, 2, 5 & 9)				
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area? (Source:1, 2, 5 & 9)				-
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area? (Source:1, 2, 5 & 9)				
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan? (Source:1, 2, 5 & 9)			. 🗖	
h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands? (Source:1, 2, 5 & 9)				

Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation: See Section IV.

8.	HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY		Less Than		je sa sa granda
	uld the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a)	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)				
b)	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)		<u>.</u>		
c)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)				
d)	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)				3. 7
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)				
f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)				K.
g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)				
h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)				[32명] [2명]
i)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)				<b>建</b> 分。 (基)
j)	Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow? (Source:1, 3, 4, 5 & 7)				

Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation: See Section IV.

Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation: See Section IV.

9. LAND USE AND PLANNING	Potentially Significant	Less Than Significant With Mitigation	Less Than Significant	No
Would the project:	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	mpact_
a) Physically divide an established community? (Source:1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6)				
b) Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect? (Source:1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6)				
c) Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan? (Source:1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6)				
Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation: See Section IV	7.			
10. MINERAL RESOURCES	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	LessThan Significant Impact	No
Would the project:	Шраст	meorporated	Пираст	Impact
a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)				
b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)				

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11.	NOISE		Less Than Significant		
		Potentially	With	Less Than	
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	ould the project result in:	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	Impact
a)	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies? (Source:1, 2, 3, 5 & 8)				
b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels? (Source:1, 2, 3, 5 & 8)		- 🗖		
c)	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? (Source:1, 2, 3, 5 & 8)			. 🗖	
d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? (Source:1, 2, 3, 5 & 8)	Ξ			
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? (Source:1, 2, 3, 5 & 8)				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? (Source:1, 2, 3, 5 & 8)				ě
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D	iscussion/Conclusion/Mitigation: See Section I	.V.			
12		Potentially Significant	Less Than Significant With Mitigation	Less Than Significant	No
W	ould the project:	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	Impact
a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)				
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)				

Would the project:	N AND HOUSING  numbers of people, necessitating	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
(Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)  Discussion/Conclu	sion/Mitigation: See Section I	V.			
13. PUBLIC SER	VICES		Less Than Significant		
		Potentially Significant	With Mitigation	Less Than Significant	No
Would the project resu	ılt in:	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	Impact
provision of new or phy facilities, need for new of facilities, the construction environmental impacts,	sical impacts associated with the sically altered governmental or physically altered governmental on of which could cause significant in order to maintain acceptable times or other performance expublic services:				
a) Fire protection	? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				
b) Police protection	on? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				
c) Schools? (Sour	ce:1, 2, 3 & 5)				<b>/</b>
d) Parks? (Source	:1, 2, 3 & 5)				
e) Other public fa	cilities? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				5 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

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14.	RECREATION		Less Than		
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		Potentially Significant	With Mitigation	Less Than Significant	No
W	ould the project:	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	Impact
		- Impact		Impact	
a)	Increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				
b)	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)	· 🗖			
Di	scussion/Conclusion/Mitigation: See Section IV	I.			
15.	TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC	No. Box 10 Constitution	Less Than		A The Section is
15.	TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC	Potentially Significant	Significant With Mitigation	Less Than Significant	No
W	ould the project:	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	Impact
a)	Cause an increase in traffic which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system (i.e., result in a substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume to capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				
b)	Exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				(報
c)	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that result in substantial safety risks? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				2
d)	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)	<u> </u>			
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				
f)	Result in inadequate parking capacity? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				100 460 104 -

15. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC		Less Than Significant		
	Potentially	With	Less Than	
	Significant	Mitigation	Significant	No
Would the project:	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	Impact
g) Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)? (Source:1, 2, 3 & 5)				

#### Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation:

At the present time, Highway 1 north of the Carmel River serves peak hour traffic volumes at Caltrans Levels of Service E and F, while south of the Carmel River the Level of Service is D to E during peak hours. To date, there has been adequate highway capacity to accommodate peak traffic flows, but only at very low levels of service characterized by congested and undesirable driving conditions which detract from the visitor's enjoyment of the Carmel area.

# Transporation/Traffic 15(a) - Less than significant impact.

Given that the project represents a replacement structure, construction on the project site will insignificantly increase traffic temporarily from trips generated by the individuals on the construction site. No adverse impact is expected. Although temporary, excavation for the garage will require 450 cubic yards of cut and export of the soil off site may cause an increase in traffic. Due to existing traffic load and capacity of the street system, this may result in a substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume to capacity ratio on roads, and congestion at intersections. Therefore, a Construction Management Plan shall be required to show the truck route during construction as a condition of approval.

#### Transporation/Traffic 15(b-g) -No Impact.

The proposed project will not exceed a level of service standard established by the county or result in traffic patterns (see discussion above), substantially increase hazards due to a design feature or result in inadequate emergency access or parking. The proposed project does not conflict with any adopted policies or programs supporting alternative transportation. The Public Works Department did not condition the project to require any traffic impact fees.

16. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS	Potentially	Less Than Significant With	Less Than	
	Significant	Mitigation	Significant	No
Would the project:	Impact	Incorporated	Impact	Impact
a) Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)				
b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)				

16.	UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS		Less Than Significant		
W	ould the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
c)	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)				*:>
d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)				2
e)	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments? (Source:1, 3, 5 & 6)				
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs? (Source: 1, 3, 5 & 6)			` <b>_</b>	ā.
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste? (Source: 1, 3, 5 & 6)				

Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation: See Section IV.

#### VII. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

NOTE: If there are significant environmental impacts which cannot be mitigated and no feasible project alternatives are available, then complete the mandatory findings of significance and attach to this initial study as an appendix. This is the first step for starting the environmental impact report (EIR) process.

Does the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory? (Source: 1, 4, 5, 6, 7)				
b) Have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)? (Source: 1, 2, 4, 5, 8)				
c) Have environmental effects which will cause substantia adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly? (Source: 1, 4, 5, 6, 8)	1 🗖			37 2

#### Discussion/Conclusion/Mitigation:

#### (a) Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated

The proposed site does not contain any environmentally sensitive habitat areas. The project would not have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive or special status species or have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community. The project as proposed and mitigated will not have the potential to degrade the environment. Any potential impacts from construction may be to Cultural Resources (See Section VI. Number 5) and Geology (See Section VI Number 6). Impacts are addressed with mitigation measures and a monitoring program.

#### (b) No Impact

Because the project includes the replacement of a single family dwelling in almost the same location there is no foreseeable or observable cumulative impact to the environment (Source: Section VI above).

#### (c) No Impact.

There is no evidence in the record that the project will cause substantial effects to human beings (Source: Sections IV and VI above).

Global Warming:

The enactment of AB 32, the Global Warming Solutions Act, which was signed into legislation by Governor Schwarzenegger in September 2006, requires that greenhouse gases emissions be reduced to 1990 levels by the year 2020. Increased emissions of greenhouse gases due to developmental pressures have resulted in multiple adverse environmental effects, including sea level rise, increased incidence and intensity of severe weather events (e.g., heavy rainfall, droughts), and extirpation or extinction of plant and wildlife species. Further, emissions contributing to climate change are attributable in large part to human activities associated with the industrial/manufacturing, utility, transportation, residential, and agricultural sectors. Given the significant adverse environmental effects associated with anthropogenic climate change, increased emissions have the potential to result in cumulatively considerable air quality impacts and indirect biological and hydrological impacts.

When analyzing a project's potential to affect climate change, it is important to note that neither CEQA nor current case law identifies thresholds or other direction in measuring or evaluating the effect of individual projects on global warming. As a result, in the absence of applicable methodology and thresholds, the significance of the project's effect on global warming cannot be quantified. Furthermore, given the transboundary nature of greenhouse gases, the cumulative global emissions contributing to climate change can be attributed to every nation, region, and city, in addition to naturally occurring phenomenon.

The level of emissions resulting due to project-generated traffic would not be expected to exceed air quality standards. Further, as identified in Section VI. 3 - Air Quality, the development of the proposed project would not exceed applicable air quality standards as established by the air pollution district. Given the scale and nature of the proposed project, in addition to the use of energy efficient appliances and other modern amenities, the proposed project is unlikely to substantially impact existing levels of greenhouses gases on a local, regional, or global scale.

### VIII. FISH AND GAME ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FEES

#### **Assessment of Fee:**

The State Legislature, through the enactment of Senate Bill (SB) 1535, revoked the authority of lead agencies to determine that a project subject to CEQA review had a "de minimis" (minimal) effect on fish and wildlife resources under the jurisdiction of the Department of Fish and Game. Projects that were determined to have a "de minimis" effect were exempt from payment of the filing fees.

SB 1535 has eliminated the provision for a determination of "de minimis" effect by the lead agency; consequently, all land development projects that are subject to environmental review are now subject to the filing fees, unless the Department of Fish and Game determines that the project will have no effect on fish and wildlife resources.

To be considered for determination of "no effect" on fish and wildlife resources, development applicants must submit a form requesting such determination to the Department of Fish and

Game. Forms may be obtained by contacting the Department by telephone at (916) 631-0606 or through the Department's website at <a href="www.dfg.ca.gov">www.dfg.ca.gov</a>.

**Conclusion:** \*\*The project will be required to pay the fee.

Evidence:

Based on the record as a whole as embodied in the Planning Department files pertaining to PLN080266 and the attached Initial Study / Mitigated Negative Declaration. The project as proposed may have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive or special status species or have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community. The project as proposed, conditioned, and mitigated will not have the potential to degrade the environment (Source: IX. 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17).

\*\*At the time the Initial Study was circulated, the applicant requested a "No Effect Determination" from the Department of Fish & Game since there are no biological issues to contend with in this project, therefore, the project may not be required to pay the fee.

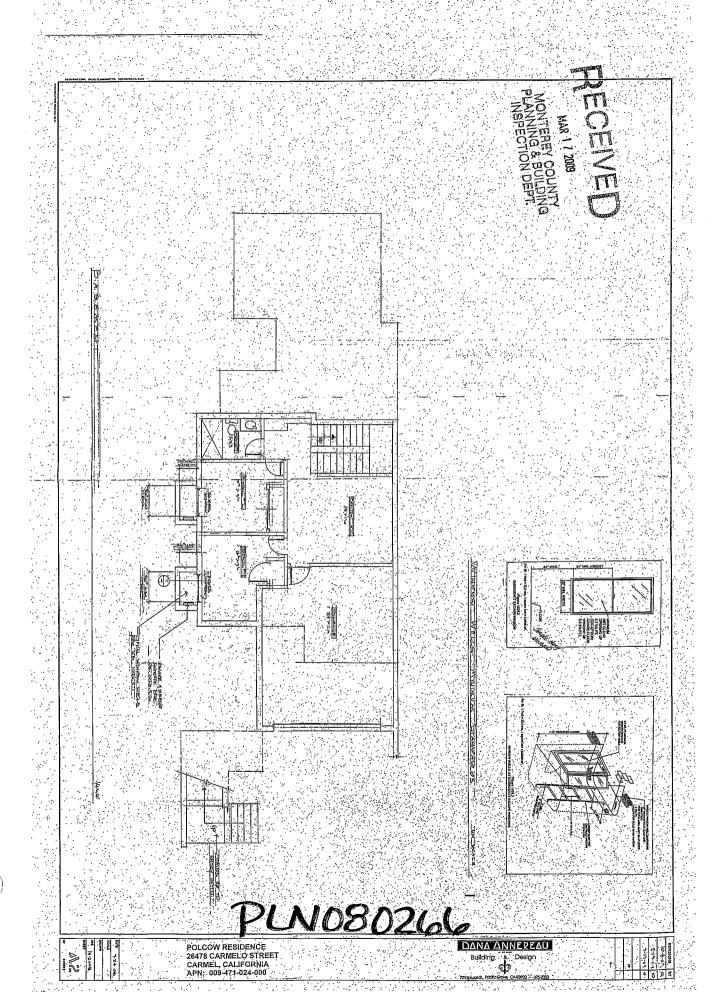
#### IX. REFERENCES

- 1. Project Application and Plans for Planning File Number PLN080266
- 2. Monterey County General Plan
- 3. Carmel Area Land Use Plan and Coastal Implementation Plan, Part 4
- 4. Title 20 of the Monterey County Code (Zoning Ordinance)
- 5. Site visits by project planner 11/19/2008, 8/18/2009 and 9/25/2009
- 6. Monterey County Planning Department GIS system and selected property report for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000
- 7. CEQA Air Quality Guidelines, Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District, Revised June 2008
- 8. 2007 California Environmental Quality Act CEQA Guidelines (CELSOC)
- 9. Geotechnical Investigation and Geologic Considerations (LIB100012) prepared by Soil Surveys dated October 9, 2008
- 10. Tree Assessment/Arborist Report for Polkow Residence (LIB100013) prepared by Frank Ono dated October 10, 2008
- 11. Phase I Historic Assessment for Polkow Residence (LIB100014) prepared by Elizabeth Moore Architect dated March 4, 2009
- 12. Preliminary Cultural Resources Reconnaissance for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000 (LIB100015) prepared by Susan Morley dated February 2006

- 13. Report on Monitoring Program for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000 (LIB100016) prepared by Susan Morley, September 2006
- 14. Preliminary Archaeological Reconnaissance (LIB100017) prepared by Archaeological Consulting dated October 31, 2008
- 15. Archaeological Resources Assessment (LIB100018) prepared by Basin Research Associates dated August 4, 2009
- 16. Proposal for Archaeological Testing Program for 26478 Carmelo Street (LIB100019) prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated November 17, 2009
- 17. Archaeological Testing Program for 26478 Carmelo Street (LIB100020) prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated January 4, 2010

#### X. ATTACHMENTS

1. Site Plan and Elevations (dated August 27, 2009)



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# **EXHIBIT "G"**

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Re: CA-MNT-17

Saleki Atsa Mr. Ford and Ms. Gonzales,

This letter is a follow-up to the presence/absence archaeological excavation of cultural resources conducted at 26478 Carmelo Street, Carmel, CA, on November 27, 2009.

Mr. Robert (Bob) Cartier had left me a telephone message on Friday, November 20, 2009 and again on Sunday, November 22, 2009 advising me that he needed help with some Native American monitoring for a little job in the Monterey area on the Friday after Thanksgiving. I contacted Mr. Cartier on Monday, November 23, 2009 advising him that I would have a monitor available for Friday, November 27, 2009 and since I was involved in meetings with the owner I would be attending as well, in the formal capacity of OCEN Tribal Chairwoman.

On Tuesday, November 24, 2009 I received a call from Mr. Cartier advising that after reading Gary Breschini's report on a previous project on the same property that he would be on-site Wednesday, November 25, 2009 to remove approximately a foot and a half of grey/white sand. This removal would take approximately 2 hours and he believed that a monitor would not be necessary. I advised Mr. Cartier that I had not read any previous reports therefore I would check with Susan Morley to ask about the nature of the "grey/white sand." I then telephoned Susan Morley and she said yes, Breschini did report that there was about 80 centimeters of grey/white sand. I believed that the sand should be screened due to potential mixing of cultural bearing soils, and would she agree? She agreed that all soils should be screened. I then called Mr. Cartier and stated that I would not agree to any work without an OCEN monitor present and that I would contact John Ford that Wednesday.

On Wednesday I telephone John Ford to advise him of my decision. I also acknowledged that I was aware that I was not the designated MLD but believed since a native monitor of OCEN was to be present I needed to advise you that I objected to Mr. Cartier wanting to remove any soil without the monitor present. I further advised Mr. Ford that I wanted to make sure that he was informed of this situation and my decision in case that either the owner or Mr. Cartier contacted him. Mr. Ford advised me that according to his letter an OCEN monitor should be present at all screening.

On Friday Alexandria Casares, OCEN Monitor and I met Mr. Bob Cartier, Doug Jones, Danielle Neddeau, two of Mr. Cartier's students JoAnn and Sandy at the job site. The property owner Mr. Steven Polkow was also present. The area for the excavation had been marked off before our arrival at 7:00 A.M. We estimate that the 1 meter square was approximately 8 to 10 feet from the extended room in the front of the home and around 4 feet from the walkway.

The screening of the sand to the second level was completed by 7:49 a.m. not the expected 2 hours as predicted. The site was excavated to almost 6 feet deep with the actual basement to be excavated to a depth of 7 feet as explained to me by Mr. Polkow. Though no human remains were found in this 1 meter square unit, there was however, much cultural material found to confirm that this site was an ancestral OCEN village of my people. We are aware reports often state that the area has no cultural significance as was noted at Carmel Valley Ranch. Yet, there is an undisturbed level that was identified where remains were found as well as many cultural artifacts.

At this project site cultural materials found include a whole layer of fire cracked ground stone, which Mr. Cartier stated that he had never seen such a complete layer before. There was also chert used as tools and weapons, abalone shell and animal (faunal) remains. Mr. Cartier also stated that he believed the site could date back more than 2000 years.

We believe that the destruction of the present residence to build a larger home with a basement will result in the important loss of another significant OCEN Heritage site. If allowed to be constructed this would represent a continuance of the destruction enacted upon my people, our ancestral heritage sites and homeland. All of the homes within 5 miles of this region are located in areas sensitive to our people; we ask that you assist us with the protection of our history and the history of Monterey County. It is with respect that OCEN requests that this project not be allowed to further destroy another part of our several thousand year heritage that has been almost completely obliterated through unbridled development.

Nimasianexelpasaleki. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely and Respectfully Yours,

Louise J. Miranda Ramirez, Chairperson Ohlone/Costanoan Esselen Nation (408) 629-5189

Cc: OCEN Tribal Council

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For reviewing agencies: The Planning and Building Inspection Department requests that you review the enclosed materials and provide any appropriate comments related to your agency's area of responsibility. The space below may be used to indicate that your agency has no comments or to state brief comments. In compliance with Section 15097 of the CEQA Guidelines, please provide a draft mitigation monitoring or reporting program for mitigation measures proposed by your agency. This program should include specific performance objectives for mitigation measures identified (CEQA Section 21081.6(c)). Also inform this Department if a fee needs to be collected in order to fund the mitigation monitoring or reporting by your agency and how that language should be incorporated into the mitigation measure.

Distribution: (see below) No Comments provided Comments noted below Comments provided in separate letter properties. I am confident the completed this beautiful neighborhood and work well with to Return to: Elizabeth Gonzales, Associate Planner Monterey Co. Planning and Building Inspection Dept. PO Box 1208 Salinas, CA 93902 From: Agency Name: Contact Person: Phone Number: 831 10210 30 Residing @ 26484 Carmelo Street Cornel CA 93923

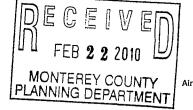
.... Surrounding natural environment. I look forward to the project moving ahead.

\* located directly one house south of Project location.



## MONTEREY BAY

Unified Air Pollution Control District serving Monterey, San Benito, and Santa Cruz counties



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Ms. Elizabeth Gonzales, Associate Planner Monterey County Resource Management Agency Planning Department 168 West Alisal Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Salinas, CA 93901 Sent Electronically to: gonzalesl@co.monterey.ca.us Original Sent by First Class Mail.

SUBJECT: POLKOW RESIDENCE: DEMOLITION AND CONSTRUCTION

Dear Ms. Gonzales:

The Air District submits the following comments for your consideration:

Applicability of District Rules 439 and 402

The Project is subject to District Rule 439, Building Removals, and Rule 402, Nuisance. I have attached copies of the Rules for your reference.

Anti-Idling Regulation

Please see Title 13, California Code of Regulations, Section 2485 (c) (1) regarding idling of commercial vehicles, which follows:

California Code of Regulations

Title 13. § 2485. Airborne Toxic Control Measure to Limit Diesel-Fueled Commercial Motor Vehicle Idling (a) Purpose. The purpose of this airborne toxic control measure is to reduce public exposure to diesel particulate matter and other air contaminants by limiting the idling of diesel-fueled commercial motor vehicles. (b) Applicability. This section applies to diesel-fueled commercial motor vehicles that operate in the State of California with gross vehicular weight ratings of greater than 10,000 pounds that are or must be licensed for operation on highways. This specifically includes: (1) California-based vehicles; and (2) Non-California-based vehicles. (c) Requirements. On or after February 1, 2005, the driver of any vehicle subject to this section: (1) shall not idle the vehicle's primary diesel engine for greater than 5.0 minutes at any location, except as noted in Subsection (d); and (2) shall not operate a diesel-fueled auxiliary power system (APS) to power a heater, air conditioner, or any ancillary equipment on that vehicle during sleeping or resting in a sleeper berth for greater than 5.0 minutes at any location when within 100 feet of a restricted area, except as noted in Subsection (d).

Thank you for the opportunity to review the document.

Sincerely,

Jean Getchell Supervising Planner Planning and Air Monitoring Division

# Exhibit H Synopsis of Archaeological Reports for PLN080266

Preliminary Cultural Resources Reconnaissance for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000 (LIB100015) prepared by Susan Morley dated February 2006. Conclusion and Recommendation: The project parcel was methodically inspected for evidence of significant prehistoric or historic cultural remains. This planning project may disturb cultural resources that have some significance, although this is not knowable until the project begins. Therefore, as a condition of soil disturbing activities, the author recommends that a qualified archaeologist be present to monitor construction activities during the demolition of the existing retaining wall.

Report on Monitoring Program for Assessor's Parcel Number 009-471-024-000 (LIB100016) prepared by Susan Morley, September 2006. No significant features were noted during the trenching of the retaining wall. However, one small fragment of human cranium was recovered during the monitoring program. The Native American Heritage Commission was notified along with the coroner's office and appropriate measures were taken. Recommendation: If any construction projects come forth, they must be monitored by a qualified archaeologist as human remains have been recovered on the project parcel and evidence that the parcel is within CA-MNT-17 is irrefutable.

Preliminary Archaeological Reconnaissance (LIB100017) prepared by Archaeological Consulting dated October 31, 2008 concluded that based on background research, the surface reconnaissance and the auger borings, that the project parcel contains potentially significant archaeological resources and a portion of prehistoric site CA-MNT-17. It is likely that the project, as designed, will entail substantial disturbance of the cultural resources on the project parcel. Staff spoke with Gary Breschini of Archaeological Consulting regarding the possibility of revising the plans to delete the basement level and possibly reducing the impacts to less than significant. Mr. Breschini stated that it would depend on the type of foundation used and if any utility trenching would take place.

Archaeological Resources Assessment (LIB100018) prepared by Basin Research Associates dated August 4, 2009 concludes the CA-MNT-17 is within the proposed project. Sandy black sediments similar to the midden soils known for the site have been exposed on the parcel at approximately two feet below the present surface and appear to extend to 5 or 6 feet below the existing grade. These observations are similar to other adjacent properties. There is a high potential for the exposure of culturally-affected soils with prehistoric archaeological materials that may be significant. There appears to be a small probability of exposing Native American human remains based on the presence of a small cranial fragment noted during archaeological monitoring in 2006 at the rear of the property line. However, the lack of formal artifacts, the presence of saw-cut animal bone at depth, and impacts from previous residential construction (cut and fill) and infrastructure over the past 80 years suggest that intact, significant resources may not be present.

<u>Proposal for Archaeological Testing Program for 26478 Carmelo Street (LIB100019) prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated November 17, 2009.</u> Based upon the results of previous investigations, an archaeological testing program was recommended to be completed prior to the proposed project. This report confirmed the presence of prehistoric midden soils on the property, and recommended an archaeological testing program be carried out prior to construction excavation for the proposed project. The archaeological testing program will consist of one 1 x 1 meter unit.

Archaeological Testing Program for 26478 Carmelo Street (LIB100020) prepared by Archaeological Resource Management dated January 4, 2010 This testing program was carried out to determine the extent of the subsurface archaeological deposit on the property, and to define its boundaries, depth, and constituents. The archaeological program consisted of one 1 x 1 meter unit, which was hand excavated on November 27, 2009. Native American monitors were present during all subsurface excavation. The archaeological excavations confirmed the presence of Native American cultural materials within the proposed project area, and give a better understanding of its age, contents, and the activities of the prehistoric peoples who once lived in this location. No traces of human remains were recovered during the archaeological testing program. Based on the results of this testing program it is recommended that all proposed demolition and subsurface construction excavation of the property be monitored by qualified professional archaeologists as well as a Native American monitor. In the event that significant subsurface archaeological materials or features are exposed during excavation, the field archaeologist will have authority to temporarily halt construction to allow these materials to be identified and recovered.

## **EXHIBIT "I"**

To: Members of the Monterey Planning Commission and Monterey Planning Department

From: Steven Polkow and Mara Hook

Date: June 14, 2010

Re: Revisions to 26478 Carmelo Street, Carmel, California

We listened to the concerns raised at the Planning Commission hearing dated April 28, 2010, and take them very seriously. As such, we have met with our building consultants to address the issues and seek appropriate revisions. We are confident that these revisions substantially reduce the amount of excavation as compared to our original submission. In fact, these revisions reduce the excavation from (890 cubic yards to 322 cubic yards), a reduction of (64%).

We were able to accomplish this substantial decrease in the amount of excavation required by incorporating the following revisions:

- 1. Redesigned the foundation to be a structural, concrete slab avoiding approximately 5 feet of excavation and compaction under the foundation
- 2. Redesigned the driveway so that pavers are used on sand which avoids 2 feet of excavation and compaction
- 3. Redesigned driveway with an increase in grade to reduce excavation

In addition, it is critical to highlight that the new house will have substantially the same footprint as the existing house. Importantly, there is a crawl space of approximately 4 feet and underneath is a foundation. The revised plan calls for the basement and garage to be built substantially under the existing house and the vast majority of that excavation is either not there (due to the crawl space), or has already been excavated (due to the foundation).

We wanted to take this opportunity to clarify a point made at the April 28 hearing. The underground level of the project consists of approximately a 750 square foot basement and a 500 square foot garage. This comprises the approximate 1,250 square foot underground level.

We sincerely believe the revised plan addresses the concerns regarding the impact of the project related to the issue of excavation. In fact, our revisions reduce excavation by (64%). In consideration of all the revisions we propose, the significant mitigations we have agreed to (based on the scientific studies performed at the site), the numerous houses in MNT-17 which have underground living space, the design features which accommodate our disabled mother (in-law) and the Mitigated Negative Declaration recommended by the Planning Department, we respectfully request your approval of this project with the above revisions.

# Dana Annereau



# Design and Building Distinctive New Construction and Remodels

June 4, 2010

Steve,

The first design proposal we submitted for a new home at 26478 Carmelo was located on the existing house footprint. By siting the new home in this location, it affords us the opportunity to have a garage and basement while substantially reducing excavation given the crawl space and foundation under the current house. To accomplish this, we have proposed to excavate approximately 890 cubic yards (ie. basement, garage & driveway). The Planning Commission requested that we look at another solution to our first submittal.

The second proposal has incorporated significant design changes that allow us to reduce the amount of excavation by 64 %. This has been accomplished by:

- Incorporating a structural concrete slab that does not require sub-excavation and compaction
- Using sand set pavers as per manufacture installation for driveway paving requires no sub-excavation.
- 3. Making the driveway steeper. This means we excavate fewer cubic yards.

Dana

# Archaeological Resource Management

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Mr. John Ford Planning Services Manager County of Monterey 168 West Alisal Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Salinas, CA 93901 June 18, 2010

RE:

SUPPORT FOR MODIFICATIONS TO THE PROPOSED PROJECT AT 26478 CARMELO STREET

Dear Mr. Ford:

Our office has studied the revised plans for the 26478 Carmelo Street project dated 6/16/2010 and are providing the following comments. The revisions in the plans, including the use of a structural concrete slab, the use of pavers on sand for the driveway, and making the driveway steeper, reduce the amount of excavation by approximately 64%. These changes significantly reduce the impact of the project from the original plan presented to the planning commission on April 28, 2010.

In addition, the proposed house is to be built substantially on the existing footprint of the current house. The existing crawlspace under the house and foundation make the proposed garage/basement, from an archaeological standpoint, a heavily disturbed building area. Thus, from the perspective of preservation of subsurface archaeological materials, we support the newly revised plans.

Please feel free to contact our office if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Robert Cartier, Ph.D. Principal Investigator

RC/dj

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July 12, 2010

RE: MIDDEN REMAINS UNDER THE EXISTING POLKOW RESIDENCE

Dear Mr. Ford:

This letter addresses the removal of midden remains under the Polkow residence presented in the structural profiles by project designer Dana Annereau. The profiles include 1) "Assumed Midden Layer at Original Dune," 2) "Assumed Midden Layer, Test Unit, Existing House," and 3) "Assumed location of Midden Layer at Revised Residence." Profile 1 is a hypothetical depiction of the midden level in relationship to the surface contour. The second profile shows the relationship of the assumed midden layer to the existing house, and the third profile illustrates the relationship of the assumed midden layer to the proposed development. The project designer concludes that all archaeological midden has been removed under the existing residence by prior construction excavation. It is noted by the designer on the third profile that "Assumed Midden Layer Remaining Under Existing House = 0.0 c.y." If this modeling is correct, then we would assume that the project designer's conclusions are valid and there would be no remaining midden beneath the existing home.

The mitigation recommendations given in the Archaeological Scope of Work (April 19, 2010) should still be carried out regardless of the absence or presence of midden under the house to recover any remaining cultural materials which may be encountered during demolition and construction excavation. Impacts to archaeological midden would still occur in the excavation of the proposed driveway.

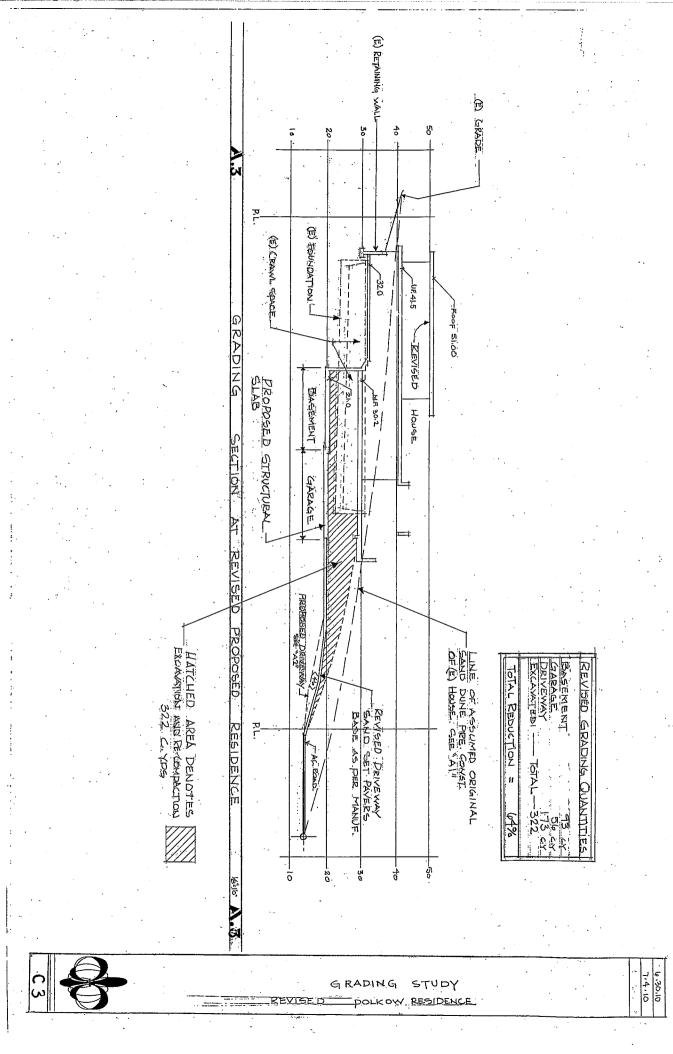
Thank you for your attention. Please feel free to contact our office if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely.

Robert Cartier, Ph.D. Principal Investigator

RC/dj

Attached: 3 Profiles



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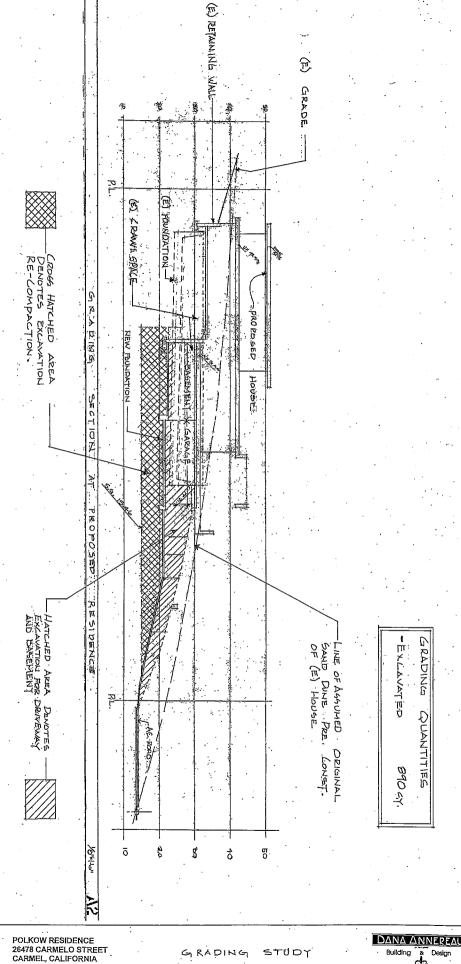
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