

STAFF REPORT PLANNING MANAGER DECISION

DATE: April 8, 2016

FILE NO.: WAP-16-02

- REQUEST: Establish the Water Resource Area (WRA) boundary at 1822 Carriage Way using the "Alternate Review Process". (CDC 32.070-080)
- PLANNER: Peter Spir, Associate Planner



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GENERAL INFORMATION

OWNER:	David and Laura Quinn, 1822 Carriage Way, West Linn OR. 97068
APPLICANT:	David Quinn
SITE LOCATION:	1822 Carriage Way
SITE SIZE:	.49 acres/21,292 square feet
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	Assessor's Map 2-1E-23BD Tax Lot 6801
COMP PLAN DESIGNATION:	Low Density Residential
ZONING:	R-10, Single-Family Residential Detached (10,000 square foot minimum lot size)
APPROVAL CRITERIA:	Community Development Code (CDC) Chapter 32 (WRA), Chapter 11 (R- 10)
120-DAY RULE:	The application became complete on February 24, 2016. The 120-day period therefore ends on June 23, 2016.
PUBLIC NOTICE:	Notice was mailed to property owners within 500 feet of the subject property and all neighborhood associations on February 29, 2016. A sign was placed on the property on March 3, 2016. The notice was also posted on the City's website. Notice appeared in the West Linn Tidings on March 10, 2016. Therefore, public notice requirements of CDC Chapter 99 have been met.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Fern Creek is located to the east of the 1822 Carriage Way property. The standard WRA boundary and Riparian Corridor extends onto, and encumbers, most of the property. The applicant has elected to use the "Alternate Review Process" of CDC 32.080 to establish a WRA boundary that is specific to on-site WRA conditions. The WRA boundary will be used to establish where on the property a single family home may be built.

Per CDC 32.050(K) (4), the applicant hired wetland specialist Phil Scoles of Terra Science. The Terra Science report determined that a setback of 35 feet from the "Riparian Forest" (in excess

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of 100 feet from the edge of Fern Creek) correctly defines the WRA boundary (see Figure 1). Vegetative mitigation is required as part of the "Alternate Review Process" on a "one for one" basis within the WRA.

Public comments:

Dale Blanchard (19683 Sun Circle) submitted written comments into the record by e-mail on March 21, 2016 which are included in the attached "PD-5 Public Comments". Mr. Blanchard's concerns include potential impacts similar to those associated with a downstream subdivision built in 1994; the need to retain an adequate tree canopy and understory to maintain cooler water temperatures and habitat; the need to have adequate setbacks from the creek; the need to preserve clean water quality through proper erosion control; and, the need for the removal of non-native vegetation (blackberries) and subsequent revegetation with native plants.

DECISION

The Planning Manager (designee) approves this application (WA-16-02), based on: 1) the findings submitted by the applicant, which are incorporated by this reference, and 2) supplementary staff findings included in the Addendum below. With these findings, the applicable approval criteria are met. The following conditions of approval shall apply:

- The WRA (including the Riparian Corridor) boundary (including all setbacks and transitions for development) for 1822 Carriage Way is identified in Figure 1 of the Staff Addendum. The WRA boundary (including the Riparian Corridor) commences at the point of beginning at the southeast corner of the property, thence 96 feet west, thence northeasterly to the northeast property corner and then 165 feet south to the point of beginning. Any new construction shall keep out of this WRA (including the Riparian Corridor) boundary unless allowed by CDC Chapter 32 or 28. Hub and tack surveys conducted prior to any new construction shall include measurements from this WRA (including the Riparian Corridor) boundary.
- 2. The applicant shall (a) remove the invasive groundcover and install native vegetative mitigation consistent the applicant's submittal and per CDC 32.100(A) (1-8) and (b) remove all existing development (e.g. swing sets, tree houses, etc.) within the WRA. Both tasks (a and b) shall be completed within six months of this decision or prior to issuance of a building permit, whichever comes first.
- 3. The Best Management Practices (BMPs) of Clackamas County's Water Environment Services (WES) (http://www.clackamas.us/wes/documents/designmanual/chapter5.pdf), "habitat friendly development practices" of CDC Chapter 32 and City of West Linn Public Works standards shall be implemented throughout the vegetative restoration and development of the property, as applicable. No soil or graded material may be stockpiled within the WRA boundary.

The provisions of the Community Development Code Chapter 99 have been met.

Peter S PETER SPIR, Associate Planner

<u>April 8, 2016</u> DATE

Appeals to this decision must be filed with the West Linn Planning Department within 14 days of the mailing date listed below. The cost of an appeal is \$400. The appeal must be filed by an individual who has established standing by submitting comments prior to the date identified in the public notice. Appeals will be heard by City Council.

Mailed this 8th day of April, 2016.

Therefore, the 14-day appeal period ends at 5 p.m., on April 22, 2016.

ADDENDUM: STAFF FINDINGS IN RESPONSE TO APPROVAL CRITERIA

32.080 APPROVAL CRITERIA (ALTERNATE REVIEW PROCESS)

Applications reviewed under the alternate review process shall meet the following approval criteria:

A. The proposed WRA shall be, at minimum, qualitatively equal, in terms of maintaining the level of functions allowed by the WRA standards of CDC <u>32.060(D)</u>.

Staff Response 1: The WRA boundary that would apply to this property per the normal standards of 32.060(D) "Ravine" would extend 50 feet beyond the point where slopes diminish to less than 15 percent for at least 50 feet. (See Figure 3.) The topography of this property is unique: whereas most WRAs see the slope diminish quickly to less than 15 percent, the slope on this property stays at, or slightly over, 16 percent until the 654 foot contour. Applying the 50 foot WRA setback from that point means that the WRA boundary would be at the 664 foot elevation or 31 feet from the west property line. The majority of this WRA is open scrub/ non-native grass land with no tree canopy or riparian vegetation that would support WRA functions. The Terra Science study describes this area as the "Landscape/Cleared Area". Given these unusual site conditions, which exaggerate the WRA boundary, the applicant applied for a revised WRA boundary under the Alternate Review Process.

Terra Science inventoried the WRA. Their report discovered a healthy and positively functioning "Riparian Forest" containing species like Red Alder, Pacific Willow, Vine Maple and Salmonberry adjacent to the creek and uphill a distance of approximately 65 feet.

The "Upland Forest" area, extends uphill from the "Riparian Forest" and covers the southeast corner of the property. Included in that area are a number of mature maple and Douglas Fir trees whose canopies contribute to, and support, the integrity of the riparian corridor, particularly as an avian habitat area, maintaining moisture retention and providing shade/protecting water temperatures. Although the "Upland Forest" positively contributes to the functions of the WRA, the area has been disturbed by an old graded road bed and more contemporary human activity (e.g. swing set, tree house, etc.).

The "Disturbed Upland" in the northeast corner of the property is dominated by non-native vegetation, in particular, the Himalayan Blackberries and lacks the mature tree canopy of the "Upland Forest". Terra Science found that "the Disturbed Upland plant community has lesser

functioning overall than both the Riparian Forest and Upland Forest, due to the composition of invasive plants and scattered tree cover."

The Terra Science report summarizes the WRA functions in Table 3 "Ecological Functions for Riparian Forest and Upland Plant Communities" (page 4 of Terra Science report).

Based on these findings, Terra Science found that a 35 foot setback from the upper edge of the "Riparian Forest" and canopy area effectively maintains the WRA's functions and Fern Creek, 100 feet away. It will also protect trees in the "Upland Forest". Where the mapped Riparian Corridor extends beyond the Terra Science boundary the protected area is expanded as described in Condition of Approval 1 and Figure 1. Removal of non-native Himalayan blackberries in the northeast corner of the lot and restoring that area with native plantings, as required by Condition of Approval 2, will result in a qualitative improvement in the WRA's functions. The criteria is met.

B. If a WRA is already significantly degraded (e.g., native forest and ground cover have been removed or the site dominated by invasive plants, debris, or development), the approval authority may allow a reduced WRA in exchange for mitigation, if:

1. The proposed reduction in WRA width, coupled with the proposed mitigation, would result in better performance of functions than the standard WRA without such mitigation. The approval authority shall make this determination based on the applicant's proposed mitigation plan and a comparative analysis of ecological functions under existing and enhanced conditions (see Table 32-4).

2. The mitigation project shall include all of the following components as applicable. It may also include other forms of enhancement (mitigation) deemed appropriate by the approval authority.

a. Removal of invasive vegetation.

b. Planting native, non-invasive plants (at minimum, consistent with CDC <u>32.100</u>) that provide improved filtration of sediment, excess nutrients, and pollutants. The amount of enhancement (mitigation) shall meet or exceed the standards of CDC <u>32.090</u>(C).

c. Providing permanent improvements to the site hydrology that would improve water resource functions.

d. Substantial improvements to the aquatic and/or terrestrial habitat of the WRA.

Staff Response 2: Degradation exists in the form of an old graded road bed, swing sets, tree houses and other man made improvements in the "Upland Forest" in the southeast corner of

the property. The northeast corner of the property is degraded by a large area of Himalayan Blackberries.

The Terra Science report recognizes this degradation and proposes a WRA boundary 35 feet from the upper edge of the "Riparian Forest" plus vegetative mitigation which will result in a better functioning WRA than the standard WRA without such mitigation. Where the mapped Riparian Corridor extends beyond the Terra Science boundary the protected area is expanded as described in Condition of Approval 1 and Figure 1.

The recommended mitigation comprises removal of Himalayan blackberries in the north portion of the lot and planting 1,575 square feet of native plant material per the revegetation schedule of 32.100(A) (1-8). To further improve degraded areas, all existing development (e.g. swing sets, tree houses, etc.) in the WRA must be removed. By meeting Conditions of Approval 2 and 3, the criteria is met.

B. Identify and discuss site design and methods of development as they relate to WRA functions.

Staff Response 3: No development is proposed within the WRA. Future construction of a single family home outside the WRA, with proper erosion control measures in place, will not affect or modify WRA functions. The criteria is met.

32.060 APPROVAL CRITERIA (STANDARD PROCESS)

No application for development on property containing a WRA shall be approved unless the approval authority finds that the proposed development is consistent with the following approval criteria, or can satisfy the criteria by conditions of approval:

A. WRA protection/minimizing impacts.

1. Development shall be conducted in a manner that will avoid or, if avoidance is not possible, minimize adverse impact on WRAs.

Staff Response 4: No development is proposed within the WRA. Future construction of a single family home outside the WRA, with proper erosion control measures in place, will not affect or modify WRA functions. The criteria is met.

Terra Science's recommended means of avoiding sediment transport and erosion are addressed by condition of approval 3 which requires the use of the City's Public Works standards for development, WES' BMPs and "habitat friendly practices" of CDC Chapter 32.

By this condition, and locating the house outside the WRA, adverse impacts on the WRA will be successfully avoided and the criteria is met.

2. Mitigation and re-vegetation of disturbed WRAs shall be completed per CDC <u>32.090</u> and <u>32.100</u> respectively.

Staff Response 5: The applicant will provide mitigation and re-vegetation within the new WRA boundary in conformance with Figure 2 of the Staff Addendum. The plan includes the removal of 2,500 square feet of invasive Himalayan Blackberries (1,575 square feet of the blackberries are in the new WRA boundary.) The required amount of mitigation is per 32.090(C): *"For every one square foot of non-Previously Disturbed Area, on-site mitigation shall require one square foot of WRA to be created, enhanced or restored."* Therefore, the applicant's mitigation plan provides 1,575 square feet of native vegetation within the WRA. By satisfying Condition of Approval 2, the criteria are met.

B. Storm water and storm water facilities.

1. Proposed developments shall be designed to maintain the existing WRAs and utilize them as the primary method of storm water conveyance through the project site unless:

a. The surface water management plan calls for alternate configurations (culverts, piping, etc.); or

b. Under CDC <u>32.070</u>, the applicant demonstrates that the relocation of the water resource will not adversely impact the function of the WRA including, but not limited to, circumstances where the WRA is poorly defined or not clearly channelized.

Re-vegetation, enhancement and/or mitigation of the re-aligned water resource shall be required as applicable.

2. Public and private storm water detention, storm water treatment facilities and storm water outfall or energy dissipaters (e.g., rip rap) may encroach into the WRA if:

a. Accepted engineering practice requires it;

b. Encroachment on significant trees shall be avoided when possible, and any tree loss shall be consistent with the City's Tree Technical Manual and mitigated per CDC <u>32.090</u>;

c. There shall be no direct outfall into the water resource, and any resulting outfall shall not have an erosive effect on the WRA or diminish the stability of slopes; and

d. There are no reasonable alternatives available.

A geotechnical report may be required to make the determination regarding slope stability.

Staff Response 6: There are no storm water facilities proposed by this application. Storm water from future development will be detained outside the WRA. This criteria does not apply.

D. WRA width. Except for the exemptions in CDC 32.040, applications that are using the alternate review process of CDC 32.080, or as authorized by the approval authority consistent with the provisions of this chapter, all development is prohibited in the WRA as established in Table 32-2 below:

Protected WRA Resource (see Chapter 2 CDC, Definitions)	Slope Adjacent to Protected Water Resource1, 3	Starting Point for Measurements from Water Resource1, 3	Width of WRA on Each Side of the Water Resource
B. Water Resource (Ravine)	over 25% to a distinct top of slope2	OHW or delineated edge of wetland	From water resource to top of slope2 (30-foot minimum), plus an additional 50 feet4
D. Riparian Corridor	Any	онw	100 feet

Table 3	32-2.	Required	Width	of WRA
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Staff Response 7: The "Required Width of WRA" standards of this section do not apply since the applicant is using the "Alternate Review Process" to create a site and condition specific WRA boundary.

Through the "Alternate Review Process", Terra Science found that the functional WRA boundary is 35 feet west or uphill from the upper edge of the "Riparian Forest" (see Figure 1 of the Staff Addendum) and includes the "Upland Forest" which comprises a collection of Douglas Firs and Maples at the southeast corner of the property. The WRA boundary is in excess of 100 feet from the edge of Fern Creek. Where the mapped Riparian Corridor extends beyond the Terra Science boundary the protected area is expanded as described in Condition of Approval 1 and Figure 1. The criteria is met.

H. The following habitat friendly development practices shall be incorporated into the design of any improvements or projects in the WRA to the degree possible:

1. Restore disturbed soils to original or higher level of porosity to regain infiltration and storm water storage capacity.

2. Apply a treatment train or series of storm water treatment measures to provide multiple opportunities for storm water treatment and reduce the possibility of system failure.

9. Use pervious paving materials for driveways, parking lots, sidewalks, patios, and walkways.

(....)

Staff Response 8: Terra Science recommends the use of Best Management Practices (BMPs), (which are essentially "habitat friendly development practices") during construction to limit potential soil erosion and runoff. Activities that require the use of BMPs are associated with the future construction of the home on this lot, and the temporary activity associated with clearing invasive plants (Himalayan Blackberries) and revegetation.

Staff finds that these practices are addressed by Condition of Approval 3 which requires the use of the City's Public Works standards for development, WES' BMPs, "habitat friendly practices" of CDC Chapter 32. The criteria is met.

Chapter 11 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DETACHED, R-10

11.030 PERMITTED USES

The following are uses permitted outright in this zoning district

1. Single-family detached residential unit.

11.070 DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS, USES PERMITTED OUTRIGHT AND USES PERMITTED UNDER PRESCRIBED CONDITIONS

Except as may be otherwise provided by the provisions of this code, the following are the requirements for uses within this zone:

1. The minimum lot size shall be 10,000 square feet for a single-family detached unit.

2. The minimum front lot line length or the minimum lot width at the front lot line shall be 35 feet.

3. The average minimum lot width shall be 50 feet.

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Staff Response 9: No construction or development is proposed with this application. A future building permit to construct a single family home on this lot, outside this WRA boundary, will be subject to the standards of the R-10 chapter. The criteria does not apply at this time.

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Chapter 28 WILLAMETTE AND TUALATIN RIVER PROTECTION

28.040 EXEMPTIONS/USES PERMITTED OUTRIGHT

S. In cases where the required development standards of this chapter are applied and met with no encroachment into HCAs, and also meeting subsections T and U of this section, where applicable, then no permit under the provisions of this chapter will be required. For example, if the proposed development or action will be located in the "Habitat and Impact Areas Not Designated as HCAs" and keeps out of the habitat conservation areas, a Willamette or Tualatin River Protection Area permit shall not be required. Floodplain management area or other permits may still be required.

T. The construction, remodeling or additions of home and accessory structures that take place completely within the "Habitat and Impact Areas Not Designated as HCAs" shall be exempt from a Willamette or Tualatin River Protection Area permit. Where the "Habitat and Impact Areas Not Designated as HCAs" goes to the edge of a clearly defined top of bank, the applicant's home and accessory structures shall be set back at least 15 feet from top of bank. At-grade patios and deck areas within 30 inches of grade may extend to within five feet from top of bank. No overhang or cantilevering of structures is permitted over HCA or over setback area. If these terms are met then no permit will be required under this chapter.

U. Maintenance, alteration, expansion, repair and replacement of existing structures are exempt, provided impermeable surfaces do not exceed 5,000 square feet and that it complies with the provisions of Chapters 27 and 28 CDC. The following standards shall also apply:

1. Rebuilding of existing residential and non-residential structures within the same foundation lines as the original structure(s) including, but not limited to, those damaged or destroyed by fire or other natural hazards; or

2. The alteration, expansion, repair and replacement of a house or structure per the standards of CDC <u>28.110</u>(E) not to exceed 5,000 square feet of impermeable surface per that section; or

3. The alteration, expansion, repair and replacement of a house or structure vertically where the applicant is adding additional floors or expanding above the footprint of the existing structure regardless of whether the structure's footprint is in an HCA or not.

Staff Response 10: In response to 28.040 (S), there will be development within the mapped HCA; therefore the application is not exempt per this criteria.

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Addressing 28.040 (T) staff finds that the construction of a home will take place outside the "Habitat and Impact Areas Not Designated as HCAs"; therefore the application is not exempt per this criteria.

Addressing 28.040 (U) staff finds that there are no existing structures on the property so any future development will not involve "maintenance, alteration, expansion, repair and replacement of existing structures" and is not applicable.

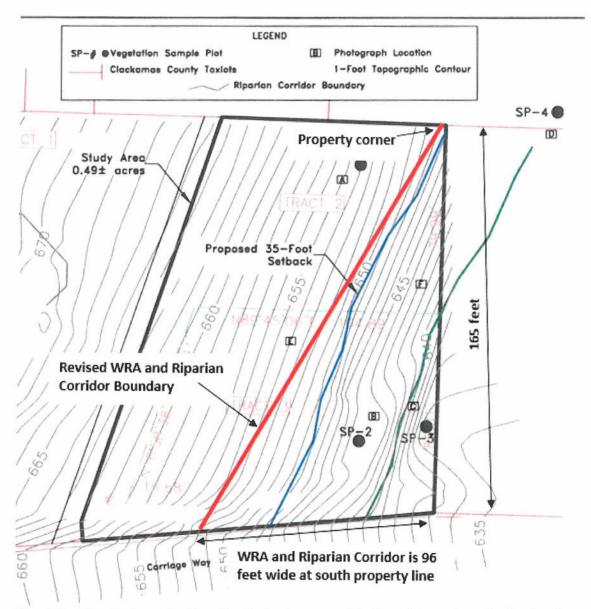
AA. Lands that are designated as an HCA only due to a forested canopy shall be exempted since trees are already protected in the municipal code and Chapters 55 and 85 CDC. Development of lands that are designated as HCA due to other variables such as wetlands, flood areas and steep slopes shall still be regulated by the provisions of this chapter and not exempted.

Staff Response 11: The 4,540 square foot Habitat Conservation Area (HCA) at the northeast corner of the site, outside the delineated WRA and Riparian Corridor Boundary defined in Figure 1 and condition of approval 1, has no forested canopy. Terra Science defined this "HCA" as a "landscape/cleared area" which does not sustain, or contribute to, any habitat.

The exemption language of (AA) above references "wetlands, flood areas and steep slopes". There are no jurisdictional wetlands associated with Fern Creek and the area is 1.3 miles from flood areas. The slope of this HCA section is 16 percent which does not meet the definition of "steep slope," per CDC Chapter 2 Type I and II Lands, which is 25% or greater. This area is also outside of the mapped Riparian Corridor associated with Fern Creek.

Therefore, by locating all development as described in Condition of Approval 1 and per Figure 1, the criteria is met.

FIGURE 1: Approved WRA and Riparian Boundary (solid red line)



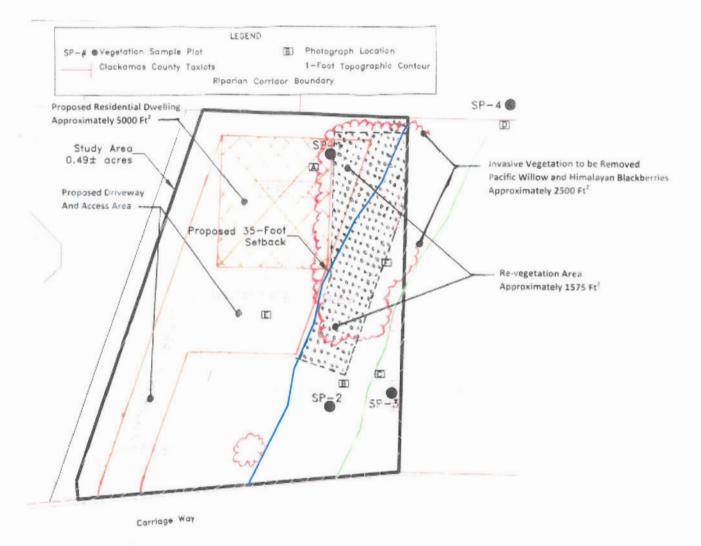
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RIPARIAN BOUNDARY DETERMINATION FOR 1822 CARRIAGE WAY West Linn, Clackamas County, Oregon EXI:

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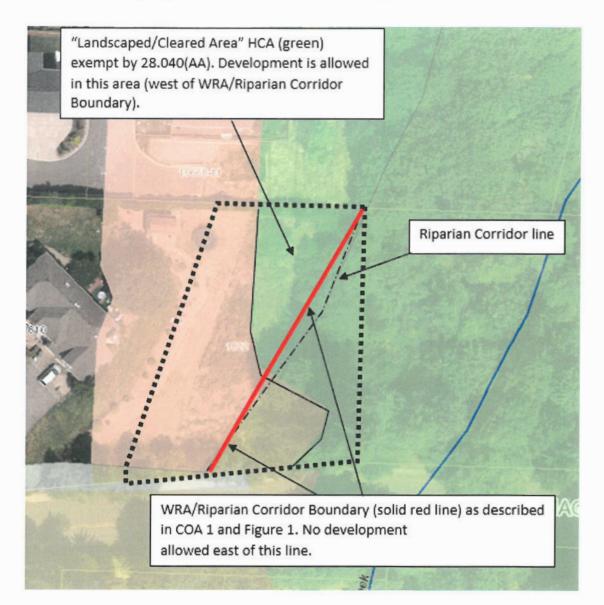




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FIGURE 3: WRA/Riparian Corridor Boundary showing exempted HCA



PD-1 AFFADAVIT OF NOTICE

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We, the undersigned do hereby certify that, in the interest of the party (parties) initiating a proposed land use, the following took place on the dates indicated below:

GENERAL File No. Applicant's Name Development Name Applicant's Name Scheduled Meeting/Decision Date 3-21-16
<u>NOTICE</u> : Notices were sent at least 20 days prior to the scheduled hearing, meeting, or decision date per Section 99.080 of the Community Development Code. (check below)
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B. Affected property owners (date) 2-29-16 (signed) 5. Shurd W
C. School District/Board (date) (signed)
D. Other affected gov't. agencies (date) 2-29-16 (signed) 6 Sherry W.
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F. All parties to an appeal or review (date) (signed)
At least 10 days prior to the scheduled hearing or meeting, notice was published/posted: Tidings (published date) 3-10-16 (signed) 6.Sherry W City's website (posted date) 2-29-16 (signed) 5.Sherry W
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SIGN
At least 10 days prior to the scheduled hearing, meeting or decision date, a sign was posted on the property per Section 99.080 of the Community Development Code.
(date) March 3 (signed)
<u>NOTICE</u> : Notices were sent at least 14 days prior to the scheduled hearing, meeting, or decision date per Section 99.080 of the Community Development Code. (check below)
TYPE B
A. The applicant (date) (signed)

Affected property owners (date)	(signed)
School District/Board (date)	(signed)
Other affected gov't. agencies (date)	(signed)
Affected neighborhood assns. (date)	(signed)
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<u>STAFF REPORT</u> mailed to applicant, City Council/Planning Commission and any other applicable parties 10 days prior to the scheduled hearing.

(date) _____ (signed) ____

FINAL DECISION notice mailed to applicant, all other parties with standing, and, if zone change, the County surveyor's office.

(date) 4-8-16 (signed) 5.5 hover

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PD-2 NOTICE

CITY OF WEST LINN NOTICE OF UPCOMING PLANNING MANAGER DECISION FILE NO. WAP-16-02

The West Linn Planning Manager is considering a request for a Water Resource Area (WRA) permit to construct a single family home at 1822 Carriage Way.

The decision will be based on the approval criteria in chapters 32 of the Community Development Code (CDC). The approval criteria from the CDC are available for review at City Hall, at the City Library, and at <u>http://www.westlinnoregon.gov/cdc</u>.

You have received this notice because County records indicate that you own property within 500 feet of this property (Tax Lot 6801 of Clackamas County Assessor's Map 21E 23BD) or as otherwise required by Chapter 99 of the CDC.

All relevant materials in the above noted file are available for inspection at no cost at City Hall, and on the city web site <u>https://westlinnoregon.gov/planning/1822-carriage-way-water-</u> <u>resource-area-protection-permit</u> or copies may be obtained for a minimal charge per page. A public hearing will not be held on this decision. **Anyone wishing to present written testimony for consideration on this matter shall submit all material before** <u>4:00 p.m. on March 21, 2016</u>. **Persons interested in party status should submit their letter along with any concerns related to the proposal by the comment deadline**. For further information, please contact Peter Spir, Associate Planner, City Hall, 22500 Salamo Rd., West Linn, OR 97068, (503) 723-2539, <u>pspir@westlinnoregon.gov</u>.

Any appeals to this decision must be filed within 14 days of the final decision date with the Planning Department. It is important to submit all testimony in response to this notice. City Council will not accept additional evidence if there is an appeal of this proposal. Failure to raise an issue in person or by letter, or failure to provide sufficient specificity to afford the decision-maker an opportunity to respond to the issue, precludes the raising of the issue at a subsequent time on appeal or before the Land Use Board of Appeals.

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PD-3 COMPLETENESS LETTER



West Linn

February 24, 2016

David Quinn 1829 N.W. Lovejoy St. #409 Portland, OR 97209

SUBJECT: Completeness Determination for Water Resource Area permit to construct a single family home at 1822 Carriage Way (FILE: WAP-16-02)

Dear David:

Your submittal was received on February 4, 2016 and found to be **complete**. The City has 120 days from today's date to exhaust all local review; that period ends on June 23, 2016.

Please be aware that a determination of a complete application does not guarantee a recommendation of approval from staff for your proposal as submitted – it signals that staff believes you have provided the necessary information for the Planning Manager to render a decision on your proposal.

Twenty day public notice will be prepared and mailed. The notice will identify the earliest possible decision date by the Planning Manager.

Please contact me at 503-723-2539, or by email at pspir@westlinnoregon.gov if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

PeterSpir

Peter Spir Associate Planner

PD-4 APPLICANT'S SUBMITTAL



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DEVELOPMENT REVIEW APPLICATION				
STAFF CONTACT				
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NON-REFUNDABLE FEE(S) 2850 REFUNDABLE DEPOSIT(S)	TOTAL 2850-			
Type of Review (Please check all that apply):				
Annexation (ANX) Historic Review Appeal and Review (AP) * Legislative Plan or Change Conditional Use (CUP) Lot Line Adjustment (LLA) */** Design Review (DR) Minor Partition (MIP) (Preliminary Plat or Pla Easement Vacation Non-Conforming Lots, Uses & Structures Extraterritorial Ext. of Utilities Planned Unit Development (PUD) Final Plat or Plan (FP) Pre-Application Conference (PA) */** Flood Management Area Street Vacation Hillside Protection & Erosion Control Street Vacation	Water Resource Area Protection/Single Lot (WAP) Water Resource Area Protection/Wetland (WAP) Willamette & Tualatin River Greenway (WRG) Zone Change			
Home Occupation, Pre-Application, Sidewalk Use, Sign Review Permit, and Tem different or additional application forms, available on the City website or at City	y Hall. 21EZ3BD 6801			
Site Location/Address:	Assessor's Map No.:			
1822 Carriage Way	Tax Lot(s): 6801 Total Land Area: 049 Acres			
Brief Description of Proposal: Submittal using the Alternative t	0/1/40/05			
Applicant Name: David Quinn	Phone: 503 -,927-5153			
Address: 1829 NW Love joy St 409	Email: davidgordonguinn			
City State Zip: Portland, OR 97209	@yahoo.con			
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City State Zip: Same as above				
Consultant Name: Terra Science Inc.	Phone: 503 - 274 - 2100			
Address: 4710 S.W. Kelly Ave., Suite 100	Email: pscoles@terrasci			
City State Zip: Portland, OR 97239	ence, com			
 All application fees are non-refundable (excluding deposit). Any overruns to depo 2. The owner/applicant or their representative should be present at all public hearin 3. A denial or approval may be reversed on appeal. No permit will be in effect until t 4. Three (3) complete hard-copy sets (single sided) of application materials must be One (1) complete set of digital application materials must also be submitted on C If large sets of plans are required in application please submit only two sets. 	gs. the appeal period has expired. e submitted with this application2016			
* No CD required / ** Only one hard-copy set needed				
The undersigned property owner(s) hereby authorizes the filing of this application, and authoriz comply with all code requirements applicable to my application. Acceptance of this application to the Community Development Code and to other regulations adopted after the application is a Approved applications and subsequent development is not vested under the provisions in place Applicant's signature Applicant's signature Date	does not infer a complete submittal. All amendments approved shall be enforced where applicable.			
Date Owners Signature	Disconce frequency Date			

Development Review Application (Rev. 2011.07)

Planning Manager Decision 23

Water Resource Area Protection/Single Lot Submittal

Alternative Review Process (paragraph 32.070 of WRA Protection Chapter 32)

1822 Carriage Way, West Linn OR

Submitted by David Quinn and Laura Quinn (property owners)

Attachments:

- 1. Riparian Boundary Determination for 1822 Carriage Way created by Terra Science, Inc., January 2016 (submitted electronically to WL Planning Department on January xx, 2016)
- 2. Geotechnical Study Report for 1822 Carriage Way by GeoPacific Engineering, Inc.
- 3. Site Plan (showing proposed potential residential structure, driveway access and proposed Mitigation Plan)

This document and attachments are being submitted to the City of West Linn Planning Department in compliance with section 32.050 of the Chapter 32, Water Resource Area Protection document utilizing the 32.070 Alternative Review Process.

32.050 A.: This submittal addresses this requirement along with the Development Review Application.

32.050 B.: The pre-application conference has been completed.

32.050 C.: The required submittal documents are attached along with this written narrative addressing the requirements of Chapter 32.

32.050 D.: This paragraph is addressed by the attached Geotechnical Study Report which found the subject area to be stable. The report states "In our opinion, slopes on the subject property are relatively stable and the potential for damaging deep-seated slope instability is considered to be low."

32.050 E.: Not applicable because this submittal does not propose any streets or utilities that cross water resources nor any other development that modifies the water resource.

32.050 F.: This paragraph is addressed with the attached Site Plan (for subparagraphs 6 & 7) and the Riparian Boundary Determination report, Attachments A-D (for subparagraphs 1-5 and 8 & 9):

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32.050 G.: The attached Site Plan which defines driveway and proposed building site footprint provides sufficient ingress/egress and areas for material storage and thus will not require TDA restoration to original grade nor re-vegetation. Subparagraphs 2 & 3 are addressed with the attached Riparian Boundary Determination report.

32.050 H.: This paragraph is addressed with the attached Site Plan which was created using the requirements of section 32.090. The Site Plan identifies the invasive species which will be removed (approximately 2500 Ft²) and the shown mitigation area of approximately 1575 Ft². The Mitigation Plan was developed using the square footage calculated by the difference of the proposed 35 Ft setback versus 50 Ft setback (15 Ft) and the distance of the building site shown on the attached Site Plan (105 Ft). The resultant square footage of 1575 Ft² is what is defined as the necessary mitigation area.

32.050 I.: This paragraph is addressed with the attached Site Plan where the re-vegetation plan is shown (1575 Ft²).

32.050 J.: This paragraph is not applicable because the submittal requirements have not been modified.

32.050 K.: This paragraph is addressed with the Riparian Boundary Determination report (for subparagraphs 1, 2 & 4) and the WRA boundary has been identified on the property with colored tape (subparagraph 3).

32.060 Approval Criteria (Standard Process) This submittal is utilizing the 32.070 Alternative Review Process

32.060 A.: This paragraph is addressed with the attached Site Plan (for subparagraphs 2) and the Riparian Boundary Determination report (for subparagraphs 1).

32.060 B.: This submittal maintains the necessary WRA per the attached Riparian Boundary Determination report. Storm water facilities are not required (reference attached Riparian Boundary Determination report and the Geotechnical Study Report). Drainage of the proposed residential structure will have a private treatment system with approved planter boxes per the performance bond in place dated November 20, 2006.

32.060 C.: This paragraph does not apply to this submittal because this is a private property and public access is not necessary.

32.060 D.: This paragraph is addressed with the Riparian Boundary Determination report which proposes a WRA setback per 32.070.

32.060 E.: This paragraph does not apply to this submittal because the proposed driveway is outside of the WRA.

32.060 F.: This paragraph does not apply to this submittal because this is a private property and public access and passive recreation is not necessary.

32.060 G.: This paragraph does not apply to this submittal because there is no proposal to adjust or modify the existing stream adjacent to the property.

32.060 H.: The future residential builder shall incorporate habitat friendly development practices as identified in the subparagraphs to the degree possible.

32.070 Alternative Review Process

Attached Riparian Boundary Determination report is being submitted to address the necessary setback per a qualified professional.

32.080 Approval Criteria (Alternative Review Process)

See attached Riparian Boundary Determination report to address this paragraph in its entirety. The qualified professional recommends a WRA that is qualitatively equal, in terms of maintaining the level of functions allowed in the WRA standards.

32.090 Mitigation Plan

The Mitigation Plan was developed using the square footage calculated using the difference of the proposed 35 Ft setback versus 50 Ft setback (15 Ft) and the distance of the building site shown on the attached Site Plan (105 Ft). The resultant square footage of 1575 Ft² is what is defined as the necessary mitigation area.

32.100 Re-vegetation Plan Requirements

The re-vegetation will utilize native trees, shrubs and ground cover from the Portland Plant List. Plant size shall be compliant to subparagraph 2. Plant coverage shall be as follows and as approximately shown on the attached Site Plan.

	5 trees and 25 shrubs
for every 500 Ft ² of mitigation area.	
•	For the proposed area
of 1575 Ft2 (see section 32.090) of mitigation	
Q)	16 trees (planted 8-12
Ft spacing)	
0	80 shrubs (planted 4-5
Ft spacing)	

Any bare ground exposed as a result of the removal of the invasive vegetation (see attached Riparian Boundary Determination report) will be planted or seeded with native grasses or herbs (non-native sterile wheat grass may also be planted or seeded). To enhance plant survival the guidelines defined in subparagraph 8. shall be used.

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Introduction

On behalf of David G. Quinn and Laura A. Quinn (property owners), Terra Science, Inc. (TSI) has prepared the following riparian boundary determination for the future development of Tax lot 6801, T. 02S, R. 01E, Sec. 23BD). The subject 0.49-acre lot is situated at 1822 Carriage Way, in the northeast part of West Linn, Oregon (Figure 1, Attachment A). This report describes the current, undeveloped conditions in order to differentiate the riparian corridor from adjacent lands. This report is intended to satisfy Chapter 32 of City of West Linn development code.

Existing Conditions

The subject property is an east-sloping lot, with more gentle (flatter) slopes to the west and steeper slopes to the east. The property lacks any channels or swales, and rainfall appears to infiltrate into the soil (no surface erosion). While ground cover is good, in most places the vegetative composition reflects a history of clearing and voluntary regeneration by introduced species. Where native vegetation remains, it typically consists of scattered trees and/or shrubs that have an understory of non-native species. The following table outlines the plant communities that occur within the lot. Sample plot data is included in Attachment B.

Community Type And Sample Plots	Dominant Species	Comments
Upland Forest (SP-2 and SP-4)	Douglas-fir (FACU), Bigleaf maple (FACU), Serviceberry (FACU), Western hazelnut (FACU), English holly (FACU), Himalayan blackberry (FACU), Trailing blackberry (FACU), English ivy (FACU), Sword-fern, and Red-stem storksbill (UPL).	Native trees in understory, but mostly non-native species in understory. Tree shade reduces opportunity for Himalayan blackberry thickets.
Disturbed Upland (SP-1)	Pacific willow (FACW), Himalayan blackberry (FACU), Common velvetgrass (FAC), Canada thistle (FAC), and Common orchardgrass (FACU).	Himalayan blackberry composes >80% of plant community. Only scattered willows present. Same elevation as Upland Forest plant community.
Riparian Forest (SP-3)	Red alder (FAC), Bigleaf maple (FACU), Pacific willow (FACW), vine maple (FAC), sword-fern (FACU) and Trailing blackberry (FACU).	Unlike Disturbed Upland, willows occur throughout plant community. Lower portions of Riparian Forest include Salmonberry.
Landscape/Cleared Area (highest elevations, also adj. to Carriage Way)	Lawn, yard debris, ornamental trees, English laurel, Photinia, Common velvetgrass, tall fescue, Canada thistle, bedstraw, and wild geranium.	Highly disturbed; hence, variable plant community composition. Adjacent property owner has discarded yard debris in this vicinity.

Table 1. Plant Communities for Tax lot 6801 (1822 Carriage Way, West Linn, Oregon).

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In general, the plant communities separate into two categories based on past disturbance (no recent disturbance). The Landscape/Cleared Area and Disturbed Upland are dominated by non-native species. The Disturbed Upland consists of Himalayan blackberry (invasive species) that typically colonizes cleared ground and displaces other species due to fast growing vines that arch over plants. In contrast, the Landscape/Cleared Area appears occasionally mowed/trimmed such that blackberries are not dominant, but non-native grasses persist.

The Upland Forest and Riparian Forest plant communities have significantly less disturbance, but they are not pristine. The Upland Forest contains an overstory of native trees, with an understory of native and non-native species. The dense canopy results in a shady environment that makes it difficult for invasive species to dominate. Since the Disturbed Upland plant community occurs at the same elevations as the Upland Forest, it is reasonable to conclude both areas had similar plant community with the highest degree of native species (and fewest invasives). The amount of woody debris on the steep slopes suggests this plant community has not been significantly disturbed for over 40 years; however, this area was likely thinned once or twice in the past 100 years.

Defining Riparian Boundary

Chapter 32 of West Linn's Development Code specifies the Riparian Corridor extends 100 feet horizontally from the Ordinary High Water (OHW) line of adjacent water resource (unnamed creek). The OHW is approximately at the bottom of the slope, which is roughly 50 feet east of the subject tax lot. Chapter 32 also defines the Water Resource Area (WRA) as adjacent lands having slopes steeper than 25%, where the outer edge is 200 feet from OHW. Thus, the WRA can encompass the Riparian Corridor. Such specifications rely upon geomorphic features, such as OHW or slope breaks, to help define the Riparian Corridor and WRA. Plant community or composition is not part of such criteria.

When a WRA encumbers most or all of an entire lot, City development code allows for modified boundaries based on other characteristics, such as plant community, slope classes, past disturbance, etc. For the subject lot, the WRA overlays most of the property, since the east (lower) portion contains 25 to 35% slopes. The plant communities characterized in Table 1 generally have two slope classes, as calculated by Thurston & Associates (2015, Attachment C). Table 2 shows these plant communities and associated slope classes.

Table 2. Typical Slopes Associated with Plant Communities for Tax lot 6801.

Community Type And Sample Plots	Slope Range (from Thurston & Associates Slope Analysis, 2015)
Upland Forest	0 to 5% in vicinity of old road (below large Douglas-fir trees) 15 to 25% above and below Douglas-fir trees 25 to 35% adj. to large Douglas-fir trees
Disturbed Upland	5 to 15% in west part of lot 15 to 25% north-center part of lot
Riparian Forest	25 to 35%along east edge of lot 35 to 50% below old road (southeast lot corner)
Landscape/Cleared Area	5 to 15% along west edge of lot 15 to 25% northeast part of plant community

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Given that the plant communities do not conform to specific slope classes, differences in the plant community species become that primary basis for defining the Riparian Boundary. In particular, the Riparian Forest contains species like Red alder, Pacific willow, Vine maple and Salmonberry that typically grow in close proximity to waterways. In contrast, the Upland Forest community contains more Bigleaf maple, Douglas-fir, Serviceberry and Western hazelnut as the distance and elevation from the drainage increase. Species like English hawthorn, Holly, Trailing blackberry, Himalayan blackberry, Sword-fern and non-native grasses/forbs typically grow in both plant communities; thus, they do not define a change in environmental conditions, such as increased shade and soil moisture (more prevalent in riparian areas). As such, the riparian boundary defined on Figure 5 reflects changes in the overall plant community, not just absence or presence of a few species.

Rationale for Riparian Corridor Setback

As described in Chapter 32, Section 32.070, the property owner can utilize an alternative review process to reduce the width of the WRA, without reducing protection of the water resource functions (stream, in this case). The functions of the plant communities are itemized in Table 3 (on following page), which are the same functions listed in Section 32.080 (City table 32-4). Overall, the Riparian Forest provides most of the listed functions, primarily due to the >75% canopy cover, moderate understory vegetation density, and contiguous connection to the downslope stream. The Upland Forest has somewhat less functioning for sediment or pollution control, organic material sources and stream flow recharge. The Upland Forest also lacks bank stabilization function and has diminished terrestrial habitat due to increased distance from and elevation above the stream. The Disturbed Upland Porest, due to the composition of invasive plants and scattered tree cover.

As natural resource professionals, Terra Science, Inc. looked for field evidence that current condition of the Upland Forest and Disturbed Upland has negatively affected the adjacent Riparian Forest. There are few scattered vines of Himalayan blackberry and a few volunteer English hawthorn shrubs growing in the Riparian Forest; however, existing canopy cover has greatly reduced colonization opportunity for those invasive species. Still, the lack of tree canopy in the Disturbed Upland has facilitated the establishment of dense blackberry thickets on the riparian boundary. There is no indication of eroded sediments moving from the Upland Forest or Disturbed Upland into the Riparian Forest (this is attributed to the lack of recent disturbance).

Future development (home construction) on the west (upper) part of Tax lot 6801 likely involve removal of blackberry thickets and few scattered willows in the construction vicinity. The loss of either should not have an adverse affect on the Riparian Forest. Sediment transport from the construction vicinity would avoid potential damage to soils and understory vegetation if appropriate Best Management Practices (BMPs) are installed and/or properly maintained. For example, vegetation should be trimmed, but ground scarification minimized wherever possible. Sediment fencing should be placed as close to the construction area as practical to reduce the potential disturbance zone on the downgradient side of new construction. All runoff should be re-directed to a temporary settling swale located above the sediment fence. The swale should be sized for at least a 10-year storm event, since construction sites have less opportunity for infiltration. Additionally, areas of vehicle traffic should be capped with crushed rock and replenished when the gravel is less than several inches thick. Foot traffic areas around the

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construction area should utilize wood chips or similar material to avoid creating muddy surfaces.

Table 3. Ecological Functions for Riparian Forest and Upland Forest Plant Communities.

Ecological Function	Riparian Forest (SP-3)	Upland Forest (SP-2, SP-4)	Disturbed Upland (SP-1)
Stream flow moderation and/or water storage	Moderate understory vegetation density and >75% tree canopy cover that slows water and increases infiltration opportunity.	Moderate understory vegetation density and >75% tree canopy cover that slows water and increases infiltration opportunity.	Moderate understory vegetation density that slows water and increases infiltration opportunity.
Sediment or pollution control	Slopes mostly >35% with fallen trees and limbs that slows runoff.	Slopes mostly 15 to 25% and lacking fallen trees/limbs that could slow runoff.	Slopes mostly 15 to 25% and lacking fallen trees/limbs that could slow runoff.
Bank stabilization	None within study area, slope becomes flatter at base of slope (sediment trapping opportunity).	None.	None.
Large wood recruitment for a fish-bearing section of stream	Not a fish-bearing stream.	Not a fish-bearing stream.	Not a fish-bearing stream.
Organic material sources	Moderate understory vegetation density and >75% tree canopy cover that can provide organic material to adjacent stream.	While Upland Forest has moderate understory vegetation density and >75% tree canopy, organic material like remains in place or moves slightly downslope into riparian forest.	Blackberry thickets lack significant leaf litter; organic material like remains in place or moves slightly downslope into riparian forest.
Shade (water temperature moderation) and microclimate	Riparian forest canopy (>75% cover) provides both shade and microclimate functions.	Upland forest canopy (>75% cover) provides both shade and microclimate functions.	Disturbed upland does not provide shade or microclimate functions.
Stream flow that sustains in-stream and adjacent habitats	Ground water discharge likely occurs at base of slope; hence, it helps sustain stream flow.	Hillside above riparian area has only incidental ground water contribution to stream during rainy season.	Hillside above riparian area has only incidental ground water contribution to stream during rainy season.
Other terrestrial habitat (within 100 to 300 ft.)	Riparian Forest is contiguous with stream; thus, unfractured habitat.	Upland Forest is contiguous with riparian forest, but historically disturbed; thus, slightly fractured habitat.	Disturbed Upland is contiguous with riparian forest, but historically disturbed; thus, somewhat fractured habitat.

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To minimize erosion opportunities (and subsequent damage to the Riparian Forest), the most important factor (aside from ground disturbance) is avoiding the steeper slopes. A 35-foot setback from the riparian boundary would encompass most of the steeper slopes that occur in the east part of the subject lot. A 35-foot setback would also provide protection for the Upland Forest in the south-center of the lot. The Upland Forest provides shade and microclimate functions that could affect the Riparian Forest if removed or significantly disturbed (trimming of dead branches/multiple trunks is okay). Terra Science considered an option of a wider setback of 50 feet. The additional width expands into areas either dominated by Himalayan blackberry or non-natives like Canada thistle and Common velvetgrass. Such areas currently do not contribute positively or negatively to the Riparian Forest because they lack overstory vegetation and often occur on flatter slopes. Consequently, an additional 15 feet would not improve, nor degrade, the downgradient Riparian Forest.

Attachments

Attachment A -	- Report Fig	ures
	Figure 1	Vicinity Map
	Figure 2	Clackamas County Tax Assessor's Map
	Figure 3	Plant Communities and Aerial Photograph
	Figure 4	Riparian Boundary Map With Proposed 35-Ft. Setback

Attachment B – Plant Species Tabulation for 4 Sample Plots

Attachment C - Slope Analysis Map (Thurston & Assoc., 2015)

Attachment D – Selected Photographs

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Limitations of this Report

Terra Science, Inc. did not investigate or define riparian conditions beyond the study area as depicted on Figures 3 and 4, which consists mostly of Tax lot 6801 on Clackamas County Assessor's map Township 02S, Range 01E, Sec. 23BD, located at 1822 Carriage Way in West Linn, Oregon. This report makes no claim or conclusions about those conditions beyond the specified study area.

The data presented in this report was collected, analyzed and interpreted using standards of skill, care, and diligence ordinarily provided by a qualified professional using the 1987 Corps of Engineers Wetlands Delineation Manual, Regional Supplement to the Corps of Engineers Wetland Delineation Manual: Western Mountains, Valleys, and Coastal Region (Version 2.0), as well as conducting riparian habitat analyses. The report findings are based on incidental information collected from the client, the observations of the project team, and limitations of the field study (conducted in winter when some plants not identifiable). The report findings and their significance should not be extrapolated beyond the immediate area of study. Terra Science, Inc. shall not be liable beyond the fees paid for its services for errors and omissions.

This report was generated for the express use of David G. Quinn, Laura A. Quinn and their designates. These parties shall not interpret the report findings or conclusions any differently than stated without prior discussion and consent from Terra Science, Inc.

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Attachment A. Report Figures

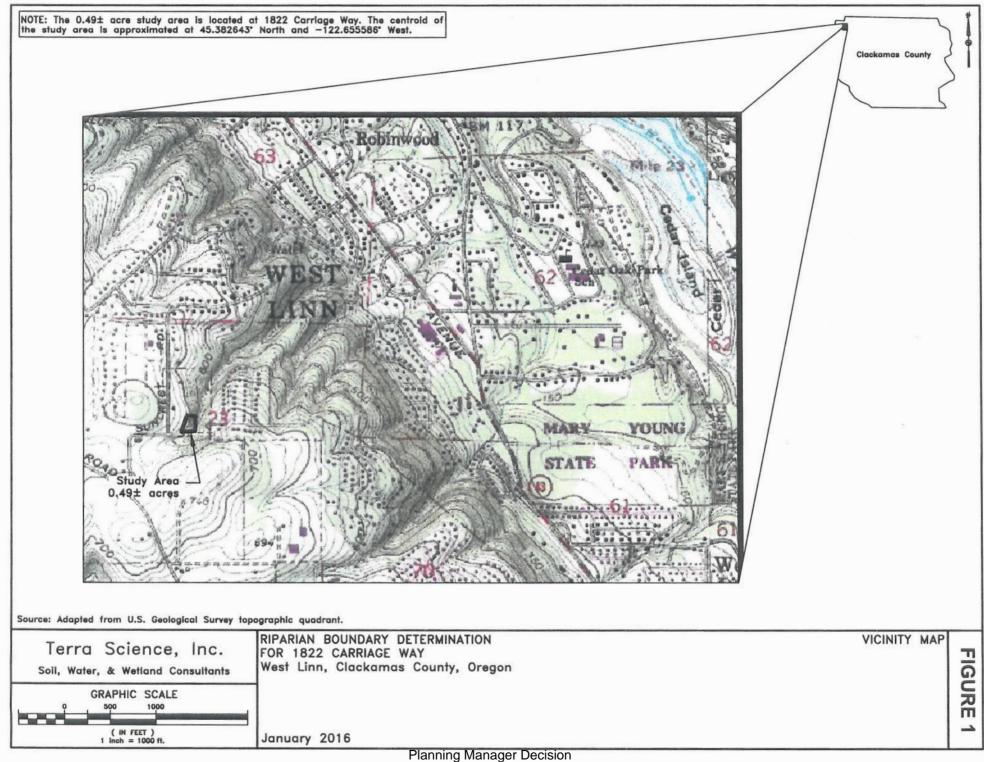
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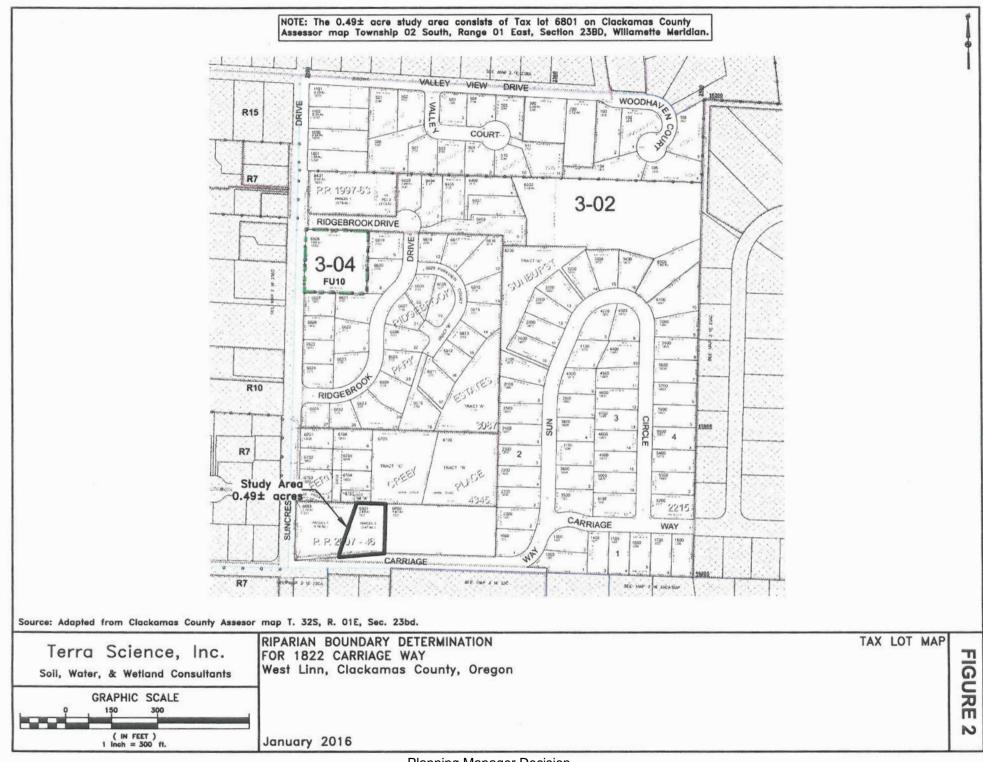
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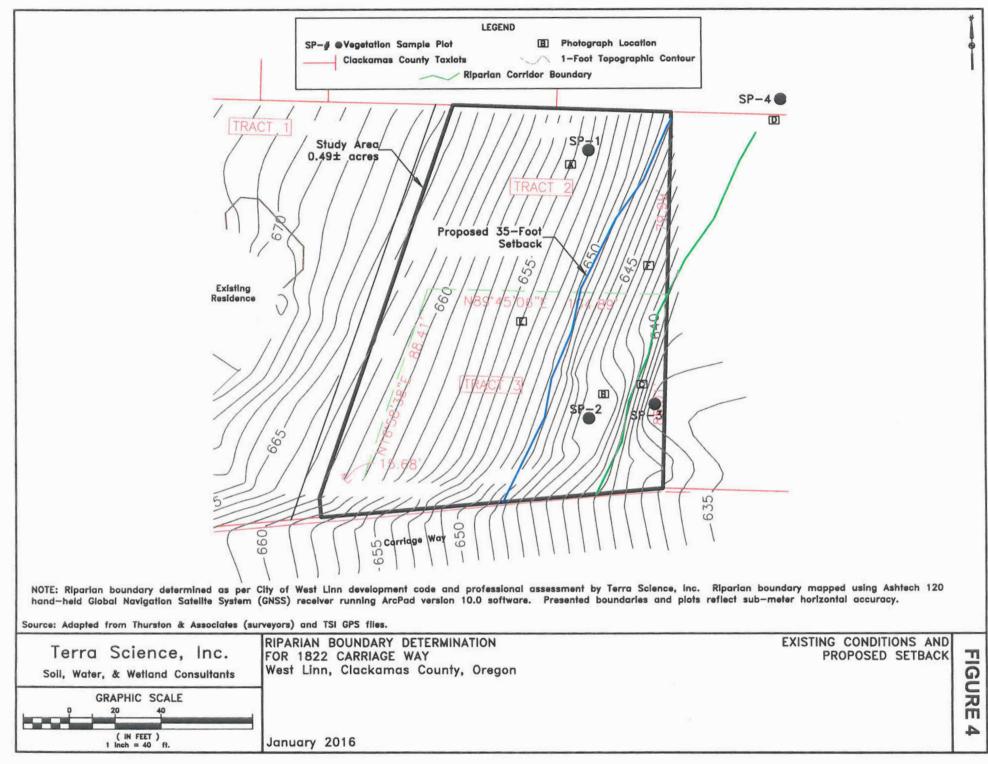
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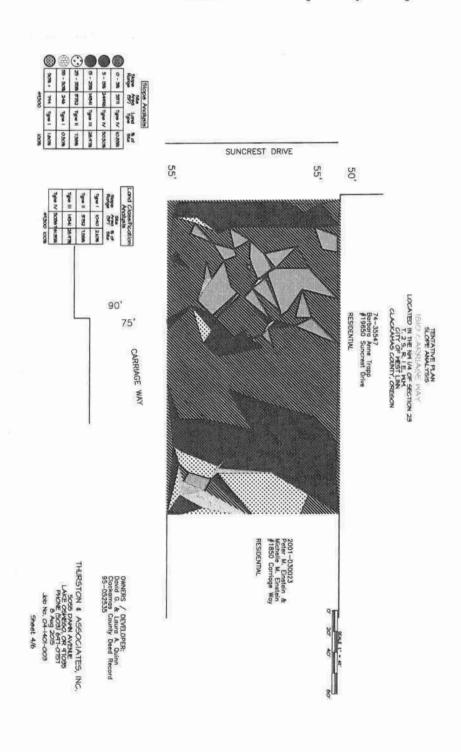
Attachment B. Areal Vegetative Cover of Species Observed at Sample Plots SP-1 to SP-4

Common Name	Scientific Name	Nativity Code ¹		Percent Cover				
	Sector and the first first		SP-1	SP-2	SP-3	SP-4		
Vine maple	Acer circinatum, FAC	N			10	10		
Bigleaf maple	Acer macrophyllum, FACU	N		25		50		
Red alder	Alnus rubra, FAC	N			60	40		
Serviceberry	Amelanchier alnifolia, FACU	N		1		20		
Canada thistle	Cirsium arvense, FAC	I	5					
Western hazelnut	Corylus cornuta, FACU	N				10		
English hawthorn	Crataegus monogyna, FAC	I		2	5			
Common orchardgrass	Dactylis glomerata, FACU	NNN	5	2		2		
Red-stem storksbill	Erodium cicutarium, UPL	NNN		1		50		
Bedstraw	Galium aparine, FACU	NNN	2					
Wild geranium	Geranium molle, FACU	NNN	2					
English ivy	Hedera helix, FACU	I		75				
Common velvetgrass	Holcus lanatus, FAC	NNN	10					
English holly	Ilex aquifolium, FACU	I		10	2	2		
Phontinia (volunteer)	Photinia sp., UPL	NNN		5				
Sword-fern	Polystichum munitum, FACU	N			10	5		
English laurel	Prunus laurocerasus, FACU	I	1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-	2				
Douglas-fir	Pseudotsuga menziesii, FACU	N		60		1		
Himalayan blackberry	Rubus armeniacus, FACU	I	80	25		2		
Trailing blackberry	Rubus ursinus, FACU	N		5	10			
Pacific willow	Salix lucida, FACW	N	25		30			
Tall fescue	Schedonorus arundinaceus, FAC	NNN	5					
Snowberry	Symphoricarpos albus, FACU	N		2				
Stinging nettle	Urtica dioica, FAC	N		2	1	5		
Nearby vegetation (same elevation, outside of plot)			Prunus laurocerasus, Rubus armeniacus, Cirsium arvense	Rubus armeniacus, Dactylis glomerata, Holcus lanatus, Galium aparine	Thuja plicata (planted)	Rubus spectabilis, Symphoricarp s albus, Polystichum munitum, Rubus ursinu		
Thatch / Dead Leaves			65	15	50	35		
Total Herbaceous Cove	er:		24	85	21	62		
Total Shrub Cover:			80	44	17	44		
Total Tree Cover:			25	85	90	90		
Total Cover (all stratur	n):		134	216	128	196		
Total Native (Native C	Cover ÷ Total Cover):		19	46	95	71		
Total Hydrophytic (FA	C+FACW + Total Cover):		34	2	83	28		
	inity (>50% Hydrophytic)		No	No	Yes	No		

¹NS=Native, NNN=Non-Native Naturalized, I=Invasive

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Attachment C. Slope Analysis Map



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Attachment D. Selected Photographs

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Photo Point A (above): View to northeast at vicinity of SP-1. The plot was situated mostly in Himalayan blackberry thicket, since the slope gets steeper to the right. The thicket has several willows growing up through the blackberry vines. The English laurel hedge is planted on the north property line. The grassy foreground in the left part of photo appears infrequently mowed or trimmed.



Photo Point B (above): View to southwest at vicinity of SP-2. This plot includes two largediameter Douglas-fir trees, plus a multi-stem bigleaf maple tree. The understory is dominated by mostly non-natives, such as English ivy, holly and Himalayan blackberry. The trees are likely second- or third-growth, while the understory reflects a long history of disturbance (albeit little or not disturbance in several decades). There is an old road at the far left edge of photo that occurs on the west edge of the riparian boundary.

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Photo Point C (above): View to south by southeast at vicinity of SP-3 (left side of photo). Blue flag near right edge of photo is riparian boundary. Area to right of blue flag is old road (possibly from past logging or clearing operations).



Photo Point D (above): View north at vicinity of SP-4. This location is offsite (northeast of subject lot) and it is relatively undisturbed. This vicinity is considered upland forest, rather than riparian forest, since it is dominated by bigleaf maple trees. Riparian area is the right part of photo (where red alder trees and willows become dominant).

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Photo Point E (above): View to southwest upslope from SP-2. The western edge of Tax lot 6801 generally lacks trees (except along Carriage Way). This part of the site has the flattest slopes, typically 5 to 15 percent. The grassy areas appear infrequently mowed or trimmed. There are also small piles of yard debris from the neighboring property to the west. The upland forest plant community begins near the left edge of photo where the Douglas-fir are growing.



Photo Point F (above): View south at interface of riparian area and disturbed upland. Himalayan blackberries are the dominant species in the disturbed upland plant community. The riparian boundary was flagged just on the right side of the willow in the center of the photo. In general, the riparian area is defined by 1) steeper slopes; 2) native trees/shrubs that are rated FAC and FACW; 3) native understory vegetation; and 4) land that is contiguous with downslope Water Resource Area (beyond left edge of photo).

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SUBJECT: SLOPE SETBACK EVALUATION 1822 CARRIAGE WAY WEST LINN, OREGON

This report presents the results of a geotechnical engineering study conducted by GeoPacific Engineering, Inc. (GeoPacific) for the above-referenced project. The purpose of our investigation was to evaluate subsurface conditions at the site and to provide geotechnical recommendations for slope setbacks for the existing partition, which was divided in 2007. A geotechnical evaluation of the slope is required to minimize slope setbacks for the eastern portion of the property, which is adjacent to a Water Resource Area delineated by the City of West Linn. This geotechnical study was performed in accordance with GeoPacific Proposal No. P-5240, dated May 18, 2015, and your subsequent authorization of our proposal and *General Conditions for Geotechnical Services*.

SITE DESCRIPTION AND PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

The subject site is located on the north side of Carriage Way in West Linn, Clackamas County, Oregon. The property is approximately 0.5 acres in size and topography is moderately to steeply sloping to the west, where a water resource protection area (ravine with creek) is present. Slopes are on the order of 15 to 30 percent with steeper slopes (up to 65 percent) immediately adjacent to the creek. The site is currently unimproved and vegetation consists primarily of brush and sparse trees.

It is our understanding that the lot was partitioned in 2007 and survey pins indicating the required 15 foot slope setback were placed at that time. Since 2007, the slope setback requirements have been revised. Chapter 32 of the West Linn Community Development Code addresses water resource area protection and defines easements and building setbacks depending on the type of resource area. The subject site is adjacent to a ravine, which requires a 50 foot setback from the top of slope. The setback can be reduced with a slope evaluation conducted by a geotechnical engineer.

It is our understanding that the proposed development will consist of the construction of one single family home, driveway, and associated underground utilities.

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REGIONAL AND LOCAL GEOLOGIC SETTING

The subject site lies within the Willamette Valley/Puget Sound Iowland, a broad structural depression situated between the Coast Range on the west and the Cascade Range on the east. A series of discontinuous faults subdivide the Willamette Valley into a mosaic of fault-bounded, structural blocks (Yeats et al., 1996). Uplifted structural blocks form bedrock highlands, while down-warped structural blocks form sedimentary basins.

The site is located on a east facing slope at elevations of approximately 660 to 630 feet above sea level (Figure 1A). The subject site is underlain by Quaternary age (last 1.6 million years) loess, a windblown silt deposit that mantles older deposits, basalt bedrock, and elevated areas in the Portland region (Beeson et al., 1989; Madin, 1990). The loess generally consists of massive silt deposited following repeated catastrophic flooding events in the Willamette Valley, the last of which occurred about 10,000 years ago. In localized areas, the loess includes buried paleosols that developed between depositional events. Regionally, the total thickness of loess ranges from 5 feet to greater than 100 feet.

The loess is underlain by the Miocene aged (about 14.5 to 16.5 million years ago) Columbia River Basalt Formation, which are a thick sequence of lava flows which form the crystalline basement of the Tualatin Valley (Beeson et al., 1989). The basalts are composed of dense, finely crystalline rock that is commonly fractured along blocky and columnar vertical joints. Individual basalt flow units typically range from 25 to 125 feet thick and interflow zones are typically vesicular, scoriaceous, brecciated, and sometimes include sedimentary rocks.

REGIONAL SEISMIC SETTING

At least three major fault zones capable of generating damaging earthquakes are thought to exist in the vicinity of the subject site. These include the Portland Hills Fault Zone, the Gales Creek-Newberg-Mt. Angel Structural Zone, and the Cascadia Subduction Zone.

Portland Hills Fault Zone

The Portland Hills Fault Zone is a series of NW-trending faults that include the central Portland Hills Fault, the western Oatfield Fault, and the eastern East Bank Fault. These faults occur in a northwest-trending zone that varies in width between 3.5 and 5.0 miles. The combined three faults vertically displace the Columbia River Basalt by 1,130 feet and appear to control thickness changes in late Pleistocene (approx. 780,000 years) sediment (Madin, 1990). The Portland Hills Fault occurs along the Willamette River at the base of the Portland Hills, and is about 3.5 miles northeast of the site. The Oatfield Fault occurs along the western side of the Portland Hills, and is about 2 miles northeast of the site. The Oatfield Fault is considered to be potentially seismogenic (Wong, et al., 2000). Madin and Mabey (1996) indicate the Portland Hills Fault Zone has experienced Late Quaternary (last 780,000 years) fault movement; however, movement has not been detected in the last 20,000 years. The accuracy of the fault mapping is stated to be within 500 meters (Wong, et al., 2000). No historical seismicity is correlated with the mapped portion of the Portland Hills Fault Zone, but in 1991 a M3.5 earthquake occurred on a NW-trending shear plane located 1.3 miles east of the fault (Yelin, 1992). Although there is no definitive evidence of recent activity, the Portland Hills Fault Zone is assumed to be potentially active (Geomatrix Consultants, 1995).

Gales Creek-Newberg-Mt. Angel Structural Zone

The Gales Creek-Newberg-Mt. Angel Structural Zone is a 50-mile-long zone of discontinuous, NW-trending faults that lies about 17.5 miles southwest of the subject site. These faults are recognized in the subsurface by vertical separation of the Columbia River Basalt and offset seismic reflectors in the overlying basin sediment (Yeats et al., 1996; Werner et al., 1992). A geologic reconnaissance and photogeologic analysis study conducted for the Scoggins Dam site in the Tualatin Basin revealed no evidence of deformed geomorphic surfaces along the structural zone (Unruh et al., 1994). No seismicity has been recorded on the Gales Creek Fault or Newberg Fault (the fault closest to the subject site); however, these faults are considered to be potentially active because they may connect with the seismically active Mount Angel Fault and the rupture plane of the 1993 M5.6 Scotts Mills earthquake (Werner et al. 1992; Geomatrix Consultants, 1995).

Cascadia Subduction Zone

The Cascadia Subduction Zone is a 680-mile-long zone of active tectonic convergence where oceanic crust of the Juan de Fuca Plate is subducting beneath the North American continent at a rate of 4 cm per year (Goldfinger et al., 1996). A growing body of geologic evidence suggests that prehistoric subduction zone earthquakes have occurred (Atwater, 1992; Carver, 1992; Peterson et al., 1993; Geomatrix Consultants, 1995). This evidence includes: (1) buried tidal marshes recording episodic, sudden subsidence along the coast of northern California, Oregon, and Washington, (2) burial of subsided tidal marshes by tsunami wave deposits, (3) paleoliquefaction features, and (4) geodetic uplift patterns on the Oregon coast. Radiocarbon dates on buried tidal marshes indicate a recurrence interval for major subduction zone earthquakes of 250 to 650 years with the last event occurring 300 years ago (Atwater, 1992; Carver, 1992; Carver, 1992; Peterson et al., 1993; Geomatrix Consultants, 1995). The inferred seismogenic portion of the plate interface lies roughly along the Oregon coast at depths of between 20 and 40 miles.

SUBSURFACE CONDITIONS

Our site-specific exploration for this report was conducted on May 29, 2015. Three exploratory hand auger borings were drilled to depths of 3 to 5.5 at the approximate locations shown on Figure 2. It should be noted that hand auger locations were located in the field by pacing or taping distances from apparent property corners and other site features shown on the plans provided. As such, the locations of the explorations should be considered approximate.

A GeoPacific geologist continuously monitored the field exploration program and logged the hand auger borings. Soils observed in the explorations were classified in general accordance with the Unified Soil Classification System. During exploration, our geologist also noted geotechnical conditions such as soil consistency, moisture and groundwater conditions. Logs of the hand auger borings are attached to this report. The following report sections are based on the exploration program and summarize subsurface conditions encountered at the site.

Undocumented Fill: Approximately 3.5 feet of undocumented fill was encountered in hand auger boring HA-3. The fill generally consisted of medium stiff to stiff, light brown, clayey SILT (ML). The fill contained trace charcoal fragments and was mottled orange and gray. Other areas of fill may be present at the site.

Topsoil Horizon: Directly underlying the ground surface in hand auger borings HA-1 and HA-2 was a topsoil horizon consisting of brown, low to moderately organic SILT (OL-ML). The topsoil horizon was generally loose, contained many fine roots, and extended to a depth of approximately 12 inches.

Buried Topsoil Horizon: A buried topsoil horizon was encountered directly beneath the fill in hand auger boring HA-3. The buried topsoil consisted of SILT (OL-ML) with a low organic content and extended to a depth of approximately 4 feet.

Loess: Underlying the topsoil horizon in hand auger borings HA-1 and HA-2 was windblown silt (loess) included as a member of the Willamette Formation. These soils generally consisted of medium stiff to very stiff, micaceous, light brown, clayey silt (ML) that displayed subtle to strong orange and gray mottling. In hand auger borings HA-1 and HA-2, the loess generally extended to a depth of 2 to 3 feet.

Residual Soil: Underlying the loess in hand auger borings HA-1 and HA-2 and the buried topsoil horizon in hand auger boring HA-3 was clayey SILT (ML) resulting from in-place weathering of the underlying Columbia River Basalt Formation. The light reddish brown clayey silt contained weathered basalt fragments and was generally characterized by a stiff to very stiff consistency. Practical refusal on basalt was encountered in explorations HA-1 through HA-3 at depths of 3.5, 3, and 5.5 feet respectively.

Soil Moisture and Groundwater

On May 29, 2015, neither static groundwater nor groundwater seepage was encountered in hand auger borings excavated to a maximum depth of 5.5 feet below the ground surface. Experience has shown that temporary storm related perched groundwater within the near surface soils often occur over fine-grained native deposits such as those beneath the site during the wet season and particularly in mottled soils such as were identified in the hand auger borings. It is anticipated that groundwater conditions will vary depending on the season, local subsurface conditions, changes in site utilization, and other factors.

SLOPE STABILITY

For the purpose of evaluating the slope stability hazard at the study site, GeoPacific reviewed published geologic mapping and LIDAR based high resolution digital elevation maps, reviewed regional site topography, performed a reconnaissance evaluation of slope geomorphology and evaluated near surface soil conditions in exploratory hand auger borings. This evaluation also included review of selected geologic literature pertaining to the site vicinity and review of the site topographic survey.

Regional geologic hazard mapping of Clackamas County published by the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) does not indicate any landslide features on the subject site (Schlicker and Finlayson, 1979; Burns and Duplantis, 2010). According to the DOGAMI SLIDO website, two landslides are mapped to the northeast of the site, as indicated on Figure 1B. Relative slope instability hazard mapping by DOGAMI identifies moderate slope instability hazard levels on the steeper portions of the subject site (immediately adjacent to the

creek) and low hazard levels on the more gently sloping portions (Hoffmeister et al., 2003). Slopes in the area or the proposed home are on the order of 15 to 30 percent.

For the purpose of evaluating subsurface conditions, three exploratory hand auger borings were drilled to depths of 3 to 5.5 feet. Hand auger borings indicate that the site is underlain by windblown loess, and residual soil of the Columbia River Basalt Formation. Hard gray basalt was observed in the creek channel to the northeast of the site. The hand auger borings indicate that the site is underlain by stiff to very stiff loess and stiff to very stiff residual soil. These materials are generally characterized by moderate to high shear strength and a relatively high resistance to slope instability.

Field reconnaissance indicates that slope morphology is generally smooth and uniform, consistent with relatively stable slope conditions over the last 10,000 years. No evidence of active slope instability such as fresh scarps, hummocky and/or irregular topography, etc. was observed at the site. Minor instability involving the upper few feet of soil was observed approximately 50 feet northeast of the site - immediately adjacent to the incised drainage for the creek where slopes exceed 50% grade. In our opinion, slopes on the subject property are relatively stable and the potential for damaging deep-seated slope instability is considered to be low.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Our investigation indicates that the proposed development is geotechnically feasible and the 25 foot slope setback from the top of the slope (as indicated on Figure 2) is adequate. A geotechnical engineer should be consulted for recommendations regarding earthwork if the proposed construction will incorporate grading or placement of fill. The attached "Maintenance of Hillside Homesites" provides some guidance for employing simple precautions that may help maintain slope stability.

Slope Stability and Slope Setbacks

The City of West Linn allows the required 50 foot slope setback (measured from the top of slope) to be reduced to 25 feet with a geotechnical engineer's review. GeoPacific's evaluation of the slope stability setback was based on review of published geologic mapping and LIDAR based high resolution digital elevation maps, review of regional site topography, geologic reconnaissance of slope geomorphology, and evaluated near surface soil conditions in exploratory hand auger borings performed along the slope. Visual criterion considered by the geologist when evaluating slope stability included topographic grade and smoothness or regularity; degree of creep; age, density, condition and degree on deformity of native trees; and evidence of erosion and past fill placement.

A small creek forms the eastern boundary of the site (see Figure 1A). Our reconnaissance of the steeply sloping eastern portion of the site (adjacent to the creek) indicates slopes are generally stable. One area of minor slope instability affecting the near surface soils (upper 4 feet) was observed approximately 50 feet northeast of the site and was limited to the steeply sloping area immediately adjacent to the creek. Hand auger borings indicate soils in the vicinity of the proposed building area are generally composed of stiff to very stiff silt that typically have a moderate resistance to slope instability on moderate to steep slopes. No springs or seeps were observed. Based on our reconnaissance, a 25 foot setback is adequate.

UNCERTAINTIES AND LIMITATIONS

We have prepared this report for the owner and their consultants for use in design of this project only. This report should be provided in its entirety to prospective contractors for bidding and estimating purposes; however, the conclusions and interpretations presented in this report should not be construed as a warranty of the subsurface conditions. Experience has shown that soil and groundwater conditions can vary significantly over small distances. Inconsistent conditions can occur between explorations that may not be detected by a geotechnical study. If, during future site operations, subsurface conditions are encountered which vary appreciably from those described herein, GeoPacific should be notified for review of the recommendations of this report, and revision of such if necessary.

Sufficient geotechnical monitoring, testing and consultation should be provided during construction to confirm that the conditions encountered are consistent with those indicated by explorations. The checklist attached to this report outlines recommended geotechnical observations and testing for the project. Recommendations for design changes will be provided should conditions revealed during construction differ from those anticipated, and to verify that the geotechnical aspects of construction comply with the contract plans and specifications.

Within the limitations of scope, schedule and budget, GeoPacific attempted to execute these services in accordance with generally accepted professional principles and practices in the fields of geotechnical engineering and engineering geology at the time the report was prepared. No warranty, expressed or implied, is made. The scope of our work did not include environmental assessments or evaluations regarding the presence or absence of wetlands or hazardous or toxic substances in the soil, surface water, or groundwater at this site.

We appreciate this opportunity to be of service.

Sincerely,

GEOPACIFIC ENGINEERING, INC.



Beth K. Rapp, C.E.G. Senior Engineering Geologist



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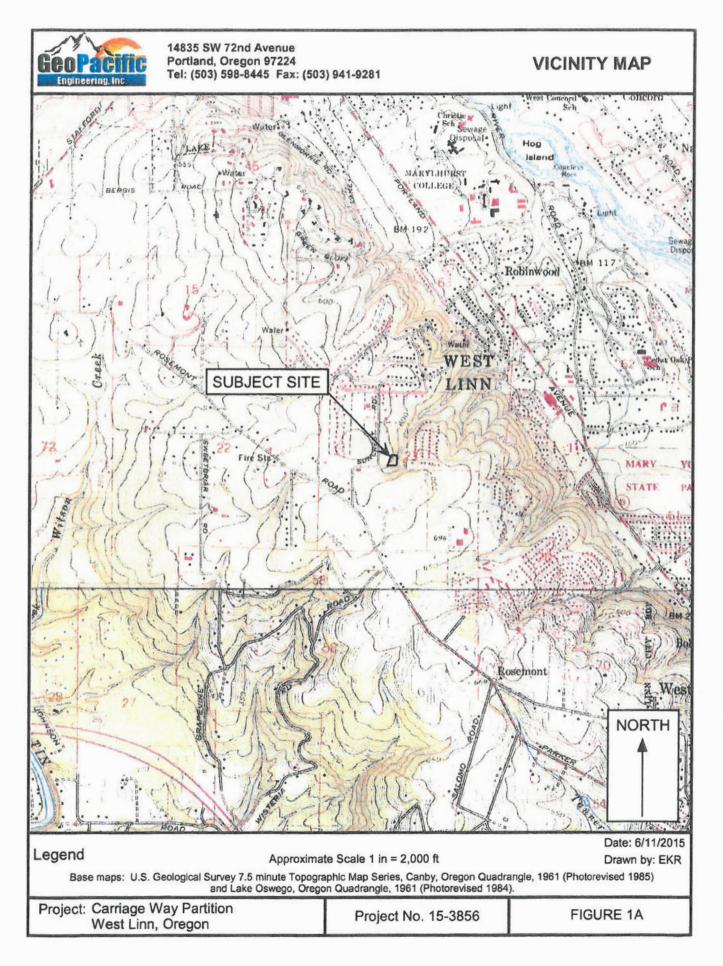
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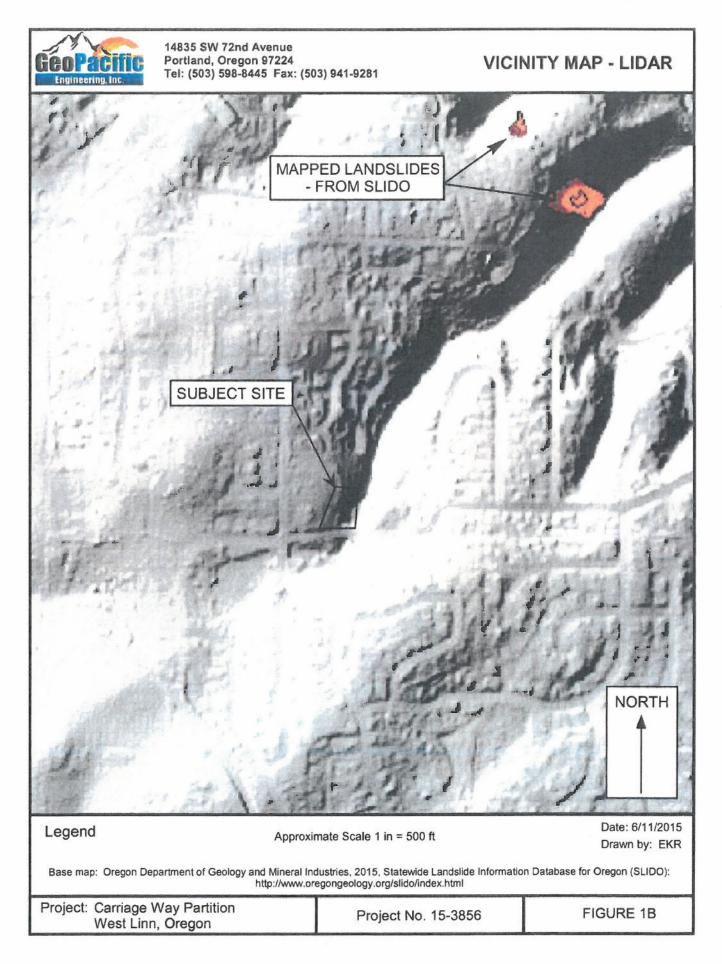
Attachments: References Checklist of Recommended Geotechnical Testing and Observation Figure 1A – Vicinity Map Figure 1B – Vicinity Map-Lidar Figure 2 – Site and Exploration Plan Hand Auger Logs (HA-1 – HA-3) Maintenance of Hillside Homesites

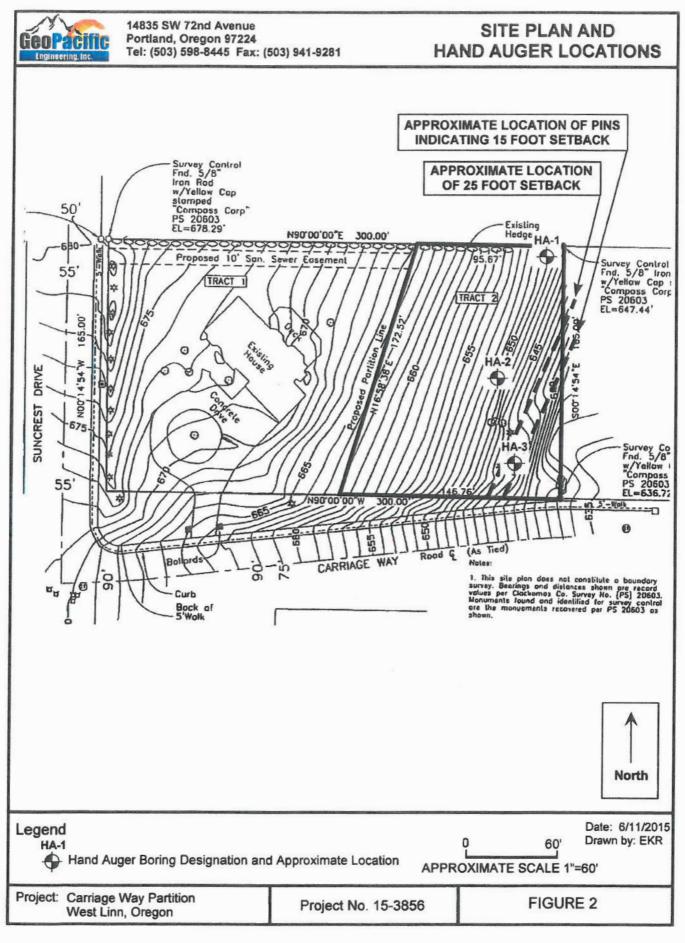
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-						Moderately organic SILT (OL-ML), dark brown, roots throughout, bioturbated, moist (Topsoil)							
2-						Medium stiff to very stiff, clayey SILT (ML), light brown, micaceous, subtle orange and gray mottling, moist (Loess)							
3-						Very stiff, clayey SILT (ML), trace gray basalt fragments, light reddish brown, trace black staining, subtle orange and gray mottling, moist (Residual Soil)							
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Depth (ft)	Pocket Penetrometer (tons/ft ²)	Sample Type	In-Situ Dry Density (Ib/ft³)	Moisture Content (%)	Water Bearing Zone	Material Description							
1						Low to moderately organic SILT (OL-ML), brown, roots throughout, loose, damp (Topsoil)							
1-							Stiff to very stiff, clayey SILT (ML), light brown, micaceous, subtle orange and gray mottling, trace roots, moist (Loess)						
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MAINTENANCE OF HILLSIDE HOMESITES

All homes require a certain level of maintenance for general upkeep and to preserve the overall integrity of structures and land. Hillside homesites require some additional maintenance because they are subject to natural slope processes, such as runoff, erosion, shallow soil sloughing, soil creep, perched groundwater, etc. If not properly controlled, these processes could adversely affect your or neighboring properties. Although surface processes are usually only capable of causing minor damage, if left unattended, they could possibly lead to more serious instability problems.

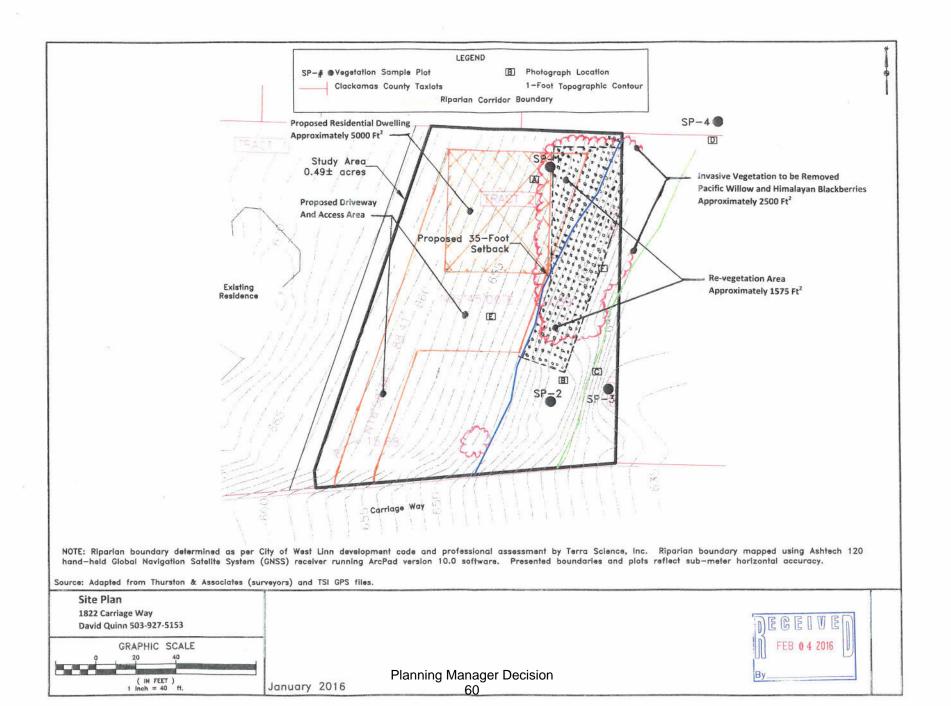
The primary source of problems on hillsides is uncontrolled surface water runoff and blocked groundwater seepage which can erode, saturate and weaken soil. Therefore, it is important that drainage and erosion control features be implemented on the property, and that these features be maintained in operative condition (unless changed on the basis of qualified professional advice). By employing simple precautions, you can help properly maintain your hillside site and avoid most potential problems. The following is an abbreviated list of common Do's and Don'ts recommended for maintaining hillside homesites.

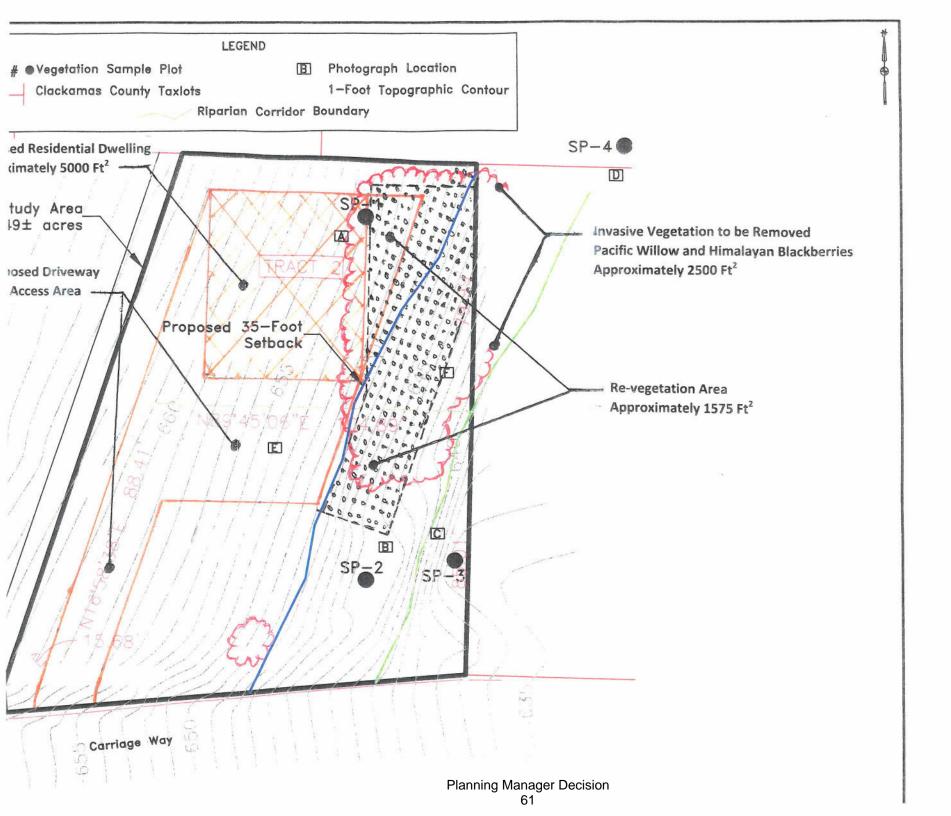
Do List

- Make sure that roof rain drains are connected to the street, local storm drain system, or transported via enclosed conduits or lined ditches to suitable discharge points away from structures and improvements. In no case, should rain drain water be discharged onto slopes or in an uncontrolled manner. Energy dissipation devices should be employed at discharge points to help prevent erosion.
- Check your roof drains, gutters and spouts to make sure that they are clear. Roofs are capable of producing a substantial flow of water. Blocked gutters, etc., can cause water to pond or run off in such a way that erosion or adverse oversaturation of soil can occur.
- Make sure that drainage ditches and/or berms are kept clear throughout the rainy season. If you notice that a
 neighbor's ditches are blocked such that water is directed onto your property or in an uncontrolled manner, politely
 inform them of this condition.
- 4. Locate and check all drain inlets, outlets and weep holes from foundation footings, retaining walls, driveways, etc. on a regular basis. Clean out any of these that have become clogged with debris.
- 5. Watch for wet spots on the property. These may be caused by natural seepage or indicate a broken or leaking water or sewer line. In either event, professional advice regarding the problem should be obtained followed by corrective action, if necessary.
- Do maintain the ground surface adjacent to lined ditches so that surface water is collected in the ditch. Water should not be allowed to collect behind or flow under the lining.

Don't List

- 1. Do not change the grading or drainage ditches on the property without professional advice. You could adversely alter the drainage pattern across the site and cause erosion or soil movement.
- 2. Do not allow water to pond on the property. Such water will seep into the ground causing unwanted saturation of soil.
- Do not allow water to flow onto slopes in an uncontrolled manner. Once erosion or oversaturation occurs, damage can result quickly or without warning.
- 4. Do not let water pond against foundations, retaining walls or basements. Such walls are typically designed for fullydrained conditions.
- 5. Do not connect roof drainage to subsurface disposal systems unless approved by a geotechnical engineer.
- Do not irrigate in an unreasonable or excessive manner. Regularly check irrigation systems for leaks. Drip systems are preferred on hillsides.





PD-5 PUBLIC COMMENTS

From: D%20Blanchard [mailto:d_ale@comcast.net] Sent: Monday, March 21, 2016 8:19 AM To: Spir, Peter <<u>Pspir@westlinnoregon.gov</u>> Cc: City Council <<u>ima_citycouncil@westlinnoregon.gov</u>> Subject: Public Comment WAP-16-02

Hello,

Please include my attached comments with the record for the Water Resource Area permit application for 1822 Carriage Way.

I can fax a signed copy if needed, reply here to let me know.

Thanks!

Dale

West Linn Planning Department 22500 Salamo Rd West Linn OR 97068

March 19, 2016

What is more important for our future as a community? Clean water or another investor making a few thousand dollars in 2016 by building another house?

I think I know the answer for West Linn, but I will go ahead and express my concerns in opposition to the proposed development at 1822 Carriage Way. (File No. WAP-16-02)

I have lived in West Linn since 1988 and at my current residence since 1993. My property is downstream and across the Water Resource Area from the proposed construction. The homes on this side were built in the last half of the 1970's with considerable setbacks (over 100') from the stream bed. I suspect this is not because of regulations at the time, but more for the ease of construction away from the slopes in the ravine. A couple of older homes along Carriage Way were built right next to the creek, and there is an artificial impoundment adjacent to the property under consideration. This forest is not pristine old-growth, the "natural area" has taken a beating during human history.

My primary concern is with the damage to the riparian area that will occur during the building process. Shortly after purchasing my property, I had a front-row seat to the destruction of the forest across the creek as the "Ridgebrook Park" subdivision was built. Countless trees were felled, all of the topsoil was stripped clean and compacted by heavy equipment. Plastic fences intended to protect the creek were ignored, a large mound of soil was placed next to the creek. As the mound grew it then flowed into the creek. When the rains came, who knows how many cubic feet of mud washed away? I have video! I complained to the city at the time, but to my knowledge no remedial action was taken or sanctions applied.

I will note that the Riparian Boundary report included with the application seems complete and accurate. It does, however, seem to gloss over the potential negative impacts on the riparian area. The real impacts can be subtle and complicated.

"Fern Creek" originates just across Carriage Way in some 'hidden springs' that used to be a meadow and a small pond. Today of course this is a subdivision named "Carriage Meadows." (I do love the West Linn tradition of naming developments after what we destroyed to build them, "Hoodview" probably my favorite. That was great view.) The creek flows year-round to the Willamette River. The Water Resource Area that surrounds it provides a portion of a corridor for wildlife between the Willamette Valley and the Tualatin Valley. There is a deer trail along the creek, and we regularly see deer. A variety of birds nest in the WRA, including Pileated Woodpecker, Great Horned Owl, Northern Flicker, Dark-Eyed Junco, American Robin, Anna's Hummingbird, and of course the America Crow. Frogs own the creek. We have all the regular suburban residents: raccoon, opossum, skunk and coyote.

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When I first moved in here, I identified five distinct species of squirrel in the area including flying squirrels. Today there is one species, the invasive Fox Squirrel. The removal of the trees for Ridgebrook Park opened up a lot more light along the stream. Who loved that? Himalaya Blackberry! What got warmer? The water! The most serious "impacts" take considerable time. The habitat has changed completely in 20 years, some species adapted, more have lost out to invasives. You can't tell by looking at it today.

On the one hand, I wonder why make rules (establishing protected Water Resource Areas) if we aren't going to follow or enforce them? But the rules as they are include a process for exceptions. I do believe it is possible to construct a home on that site with sensitivity to the fragile resource next door. But based on my personal experience, I don't believe anyone will bother. The builder doesn't care, and the city won't enforce any restrictions. We know how mitigation plans go ... Himalaya Blackberry!

I appreciate the opportunity to comment, but I'm afraid I know West Linn much too well.

Thanks,

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