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Good afternoon Juliana,

I tried to call yesterday afternoon regarding this issue. I am sure you are extremely busy right now. I received a phone call from Julia Carson regarding her parcel subdivision that is on before the Planning Commission tomorrow. Apparently the existing driveway was recently measured and was found to be 9 feet wide. The State Fire Safe Regulations stipulate that driveways be a minimum of 10 feet in width. The Unit's position on this particular issue would require the newly created parcel to conform to the State Fire Safe Regulation standard. As for the existing driveway on the original portion of the parcel, there does not appear to be a reason from our position to require a retroactive retrofit to meet the new standard.

Please note that when I did the site visit in February of this year, I did not take any measurements of the existing driveway, however by sight it looked to be about 10 feet in width.

Attached is a letter I sent Ms. Carson regarding this issue for her Planning Commission hearing tomorrow.

Please feel free to contact me if there are any questions regarding this issue.

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Subject: CAL FIRE #90-19 & 137-20
CDP_2019-0027 & CDP_2021-0002
APN: 118-010-27
State Fire Safe Regulations- Driveway Standards

Ms. Carson,


This letter is a follow up of our phone conversation on May 4th, 2021 regarding the requirements for your driveway at 45380 Caspar Point Road.

As discussed, all parcels created after January 1st, 1991 shall conform to the State Fire Safe Regulations. In this matter, Parcel #2 as defined in your State Fire Safe Regulation application would be under the purview of these requirements.

However, the Mendocino Unit will reserve comment at this time regarding the existing driveway from where the pre-existing parcel (Parcel #1) begins after the subdivision to its terminus at the existing structure.

Please note, the Mendocino County Planning and Building Department, as the Authority Having Jurisdiction and may have additional requirements that exceed those of the State Fire Safe Regulations.

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at (707) 459-7423.



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