Marin County Deputy Zoning Administrator Regular Meeting Thursday, October 25, 2012 9:00 a.m.

Agenda

1. COASTAL PERMIT (Project I.D. 2012-0203): CALTRANS CH The subject property is located at State Route 1 roadway, adjacent to the southbound travel lane and Grandi Canyon Gulch Creek, and is further identified as Assessor's Parcel 119-020-20.

Cal Trans Staff report

In response to the Hearing Officer, staff stated that he had received a phone call from the California Coastal Commission regarding the piling depth underneath the roadway. Although one of the project descriptions provided by Caltrans stated a depth of 13 feet, the depth used for environmental review and environmental (CEQA) analysis relied on a piling depth of 35 feet. Representatives from CalTrans also indicated that the Fish and Wildlife study relied on a piling depth of 35 feet in their consultation.

Staff noted that the reference to the consultation prepared by "Fish and Game" should have been "Fish and Wildlife."

There were no public speakers. The Hearing Officer opened and closed the Public Hearing.

The Hearing Officer noted that after making a site inspection and driving along the coast road he noticed that the railing design had no other examples along the Marin County coastline. K-rail used elsewhere. He asked the CalTrans staff why they are using a more elaborate design.

In response to the Hearing Officers comment on the type of rail design used, Jay Hagparast, Project Manager, responded that the MGBR type railing already exists at the project site and is preferred because it does not block the view. He further noted that the California Coastal Commission preferred the cantilever bridge design. The Hearing Officer concurred.

The Hearing Officer approved the project and noted the five day appeal date, November 8, 2012. [The Hearing Officer corrected the date to Thursday, November 1, 2012 at 4:00 PM.]

The Hearing Officer concurred with staff's findings and Conditions of Approval in the Resolution and approved the CalTrans Coastal Permit.