
RE: Luffenholz Ln CDP 19437

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To Holtermann, Michael <mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us>

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Hi Michael,

Yes, that's an accurate summation. It's more of an FYI than a recommended condition of approval. Thanks for checking in! We appreciate your passing the information on to the applicant.

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From: Holtermann, Michael <mholtermann@co.humboldt.ca.us>

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Good afternoon,

I just wanted to clarify since I am submitting my draft Staff Report to Cliff today, you do not have any recommended conditions, but you are recommending (not as a condition of approval) that the landowner with the spring on their parcel notify CDFW for a potential LSAA and consult with the State Water Board. I forwarded the documents to the applicant and let them know that the spring may not be properly permitted, and let them know about how to get the process started with CDFW and the State Water Board.

I want to confirm I am understanding correctly before the project goes to hearing, since as of now (and for the next two weeks or so) there is still time to edit the draft conditions of approval.

Best,



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Hi Michael,

I know my comments on the Luffenholz Ln CDP (PLN-2025-19437, APN 515-101-002-000) are a little late, so feel free to ignore me if I've missed your permit processing deadline. The Coastal Commission recently brought the referral to my attention over the water source, which appears to be a shared "spring." True springs are uncommon; most of the features described as such are actually headwater streams and therefore a diversion subject to Fish and Game Code section 1602. I don't know how many parcels it serves or where it's located, but I couldn't find a record of an existing Lake and Streambed Alteration Agreement (LSAA) or registered water right. I don't think notification needs to be added as a condition of approval, but CDFW would appreciate it if the County contacted the applicant to inform them that the water source may not be properly permitted.

To come into compliance with Fish and Game Code, CDFW recommends the landowner of the parcel on which the spring is located notify CDFW to obtain authorization for the diversion. Notification should be submitted through our online permitting portal EPIMS, available through the [Lake and Streambed Alteration Program webpage](#). We also advise the landowner to consult with the State Water Resources Control Board's Division of Water Rights to satisfy any other reporting and permitting requirements for water diversion. The attached brochure is intended as an introduction to California water rights; other resources are available through the Division of Water Rights and elsewhere online.

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