



## RRV-2024-0004 - 18611 NW SAUVIE ISLAND RD

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To: Dan Williams <Dan@fasterpermits.com>

Hi Dan

We are currently looking at issuing a denial for the Road Rules Variance. The supporting documents do not support the retention of the most southern access due to limited sight distance, as clearly shown in the sight distance analysis. Other than mention of vegetation removal there were no clear steps laid out about how this would be achieved. It is a neighboring property and no letter of support or agreement with the neighbor was included to show that they welcome clearing of vegetation that appears to be partly in their private property and partly in the ROW. We can't impose a condition on neighboring property. No requests to County Maintenance were received for this prior to the application.

In addition to his access, there is also no clear justification for retention of one of the circular driveway accesses (middle or northern) access to the house other than the fact that it was existing. Only the northern access meets sight distance standards.

You can offer the following options to your client:

- Proceed with the Variance application and the likely denial. There is the right to appeal that decision within 14 days of issue. If appealed, the case will then be transferred to a Hearing/Hearings Officer to make a determination. There will be no opportunity to re-apply until after 1 year, if the Hearings Officer upholds the staff decision (MCC 39.1165).
- Withdraw the application. Per the County Land Use code (39.1165), there will be no opportunity to re-apply until after 1 year.
- Provide reasonable adjustments to the variance request and the proposed driveways that would include the following to be acceptable:
  - Closing at least one of the three driveway accesses, with amendments to the narrative required to demonstrate its purpose;
  - Ensuring sight distance can be met from the remaining access(es) by providing a clear mitigation statement about how this can be achieved (only the northern access is currently shown to meet the sight distance).

Please let me know as soon as possible which route you/your clients would like to take. There are 110 days remaining on the application clock, as we're on day 40 since the application was deemed complete.

thanks,

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