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Dear Mr. Fox,

Lake County has received a response from the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) regarding technical review of the amended floodplain study report for Johnson Creek submitted to Lake County by River Run Associates on November 19, 2009. A report by Billmayer and Hafferman Inc. was submitted as an amendment to the Floodplain Delineation Report for Johnson Creek at the Historic Kootenai Lodge that was initially submitted to Lake County in April 2009. The report was intended to respond to DNRC's review comments from the April 2009 submittal. A report prepared by Applied Water Consulting LLC and Tri-Core Engineering PC was also submitted at that time to supplement the Billmayer and Hafferman report.

The DNRC has completed technical review of the two reports and provided Lake County with a letter dated January 22, 2010, which is hereby attached. In the letter, DNRC outlines specific concerns with the hydrologic analyses provided in the reports, and identifies numerous deficiencies and oversights. The letter further concludes that DNRC's concerns regarding the hydrologic analysis have not been resolved or satisfied.

Based on the comments received from the DNRC technical review, Lake County is unable to approve the submitted floodplain delineation. In order to comply with the terms of the settlement set forth in Lake County Cause No. DV-05-143, DNRC concurrence is needed. Any further floodplain delineation submittals must adhere to DNRC recommendations and adequately address DNRC concerns.

Please contact us if you have additional questions.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Lyden
Floodplain Administrator

cc: Kurt Hafferman, Billmayer & Hafferman, Inc.
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