

AMADOR COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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COUNTY ADMINISTRATION CENTER

810 COURT STREET

JACKSON, CA 95642-2132

APPLICATION REFERRAL

TO: Amador Air District

Building Department County Counsel

Environmental Health Department

Surveying Department

Transportation and Public Works Department

Waste Management Sheriff's Office

Ione Band of Miwok Indians**
Buena Vista Band of Me-Wuk Indians**
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California**
Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians**

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Amador Transit

Amador Water Agency

Jackson Valley Irrigation District

Cal Fire

Caltrans, District 10 CDFW, Region 2 CHP Amador LAFCO

City of Ione PG&E FEMA

Department of Water Resources (DWR)

DATE: December 4, 2019

FROM: Krista Ruesel, Planning Department

PROJECT: Zone Change **ZC-19**; **11-2** from "X," Special Use District, to "PD," Planned Development District,

General Plan Amendment **GPA-19;11-1** from A, Agricultural to SPA, Special Planning Area, and Use Permit **UP-19;11-2** for a Recreational Vehicle Park. Property is 105.21 acres. (APN: 012-040-

049)

Applicant: Gerry Ninnis, Representative: Doug Ketron

Property Owner: Gerry Ninnis **Supervisorial District:** 2

Location: 6080 Jackson Valley Rd., Ione, CA 95640

REVIEW:

As part of the preliminary review process, this project is being referred to State, Tribal, and local agencies for their review and comment. The Amador County Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) will review the application for completeness during its regular meeting on December 18, 2019 at 3:00 p.m. in Conference Room A at the County Administration Building, 810 Court Street, Jackson, California.

If the application is found to be complete, future TAC meetings will be scheduled to determine the appropriate environmental document and address environmental impacts for project approval per CEQA Guidelines, as well as determine conditions for project approval for recommendation to the Planning Commission. Notification of further TAC meetings and agendas will be made via the TAC email distribution list (contact planning@amadorgov.org to be added to the list).



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APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR USE PERMIT

A Public Hearing before the Planning Commission will be scheduled after the following information has been completed and submitted to the Planning Department Office:

/	1. Cc	omplete the following:
	Na	me of Applicant GETERY NINNIS
	Ма	illing Address P.O.Box 980 PINE GROVE, CA 95665
	E	mail
	Ph	one Number (204) 988 - 4379
	Ass	sessor Parcel Number <u>0/z- 040-049-000</u>
	Us	Se Permit Applied For: Private Academic School Private Nonprofit Recreational Facility Public Building and Use(s) Airport, Heliport Cemetery Radio, Television Transmission Tower Club, Lodge, Fraternal Organization Dump, Garbage Disposal Site Church OTHER RECREATIONAL VENICLE PARK
	2.	Attach a letter explaining the purpose and need for the Use Permit.
	3.	Attach a copy of the deed of the property (can be obtained from the County Recorder's Office).
	4.	If Applicant is not the property owner, a consent letter must be attached.
	5.	Assessor Plat Map (can be obtained from the County Surveyor's Office).
•	6.	Plot Plan (no larger than 11" X 17") of parcel showing location of request in relation to property lines, road easements, other structures, etc. (see Plot Plan Guidelines). Larger map(s) or plans may be submitted if a photo reduction is provided for notices, Staff Reports, etc. The need is for easy, mass reproduction.
	7.	Planning Department Filing Fee: Environmental Health Review Fee: Public Works Agency Review Fee: \$\frac{\
	8 2	Complete an Environmental Information Form.
	9.	Sign Indemnification Form.

D. R. KETRON, PE

Mining & Civil Engineering P.O. Box 12 VOLCANO. CA 95689

dketron@volcano.net

November 26, 2019

Chuck Beatty, Planning Director Amador County Planning Department 810 Court Street Jackson, CA 95642

Re: Goose Hill Minesite, APN 012-040-049-000

Dear Mr. Beatty:

On behalf of the owner I wish to present this information for a proposed Recreational Vehicle Park to be located at the site of the Goose Hill construction aggregate mine in the Buena Vista area of lone. The property consists of about 105 acres of which some 40 acres would be occupied by the recreational facility and the remaining 65 acres agricultural open space and wildlife habitat consistent with the current approved reclamation plan.

With the demise of the mining industry, restrictions on timber harvest, and the reduction in home construction, the County increasingly relies upon visitors and tourism to maintain an active economy. It is noted that there are few improved sites for transient recreational vehicles to remain while visitors take in the sights and activities of the County. Among them are the parks in Plymouth, the Rancheria, Pine Acres and seasonal Bear River Resort. A modern and fully-equipped park on the site of a closed mining operation will allow transient visitors time to linger and partake of fishing and boating at Lakes Pardee and Camanche, visit Ione and Preston Castle, golf at Castle Oaks, ride the Amador Central, and visit nearby Harrah's.

The operation of such a Park meets the requirements of the Surface and Mining Act in that lands mined by surface mining be restored and maintained for a subsequent beneficial use. And it is noted that none of the existing Parks operate as a nuisance or to the detriment of the surrounding areas. In the contrary, the Park in Plymouth serves the County Fairgrounds and Shenandoah Valley wine industry; the Park at the Jackson Rancheria serves not only the Rancheria activities but sends visitors to Jackson, Sutter Creek and Volcano. Each visitor results in transient occupancy tax revenues to the local jurisdiction. In the present case, transient occupancy taxes would accrue to the County.

In addition, the increased development of the site over cattle grazing and wetlands will result in an increased revenue to the County through property taxes and the County's portion of sales taxes on expenditures during the visitors' stays. In these financial times, the revenues are not only welcome, but needed as well.

In summary, a fully-equipped recreational vehicle park will encourage transient visitors to stop and remain in the County, and thereby participate in an increasing and necessary visitor base.

I trust you will find this information in good order. Should you require additional information, please feel free to call or write at your convenience. Sincerely,

D. R. Ketron

cc: Gerry Ninnis

RECORDING REQUESTED BY

GERRY NINNIS

AND WHEN RECORDED MAIL TO

GERRY NINNIS P.O. BOX 980 PINE GROVE, CA 95665



Amador County Recorder
Kimberly L. Grady
DOC- 2015-0007656-00

REQD BY GERRY NINNIS

Tuesday, OCT 13, 2015 15:17

\$16.00 Ttl Pd

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A.P.N.: 012-040-049-000 SPACE	ABOVE THIS LINE FOR RECORDER'S USE
GRANT DEED	
The undersigned grantor(s) declare(s): Documentary transfer tax is \$0.00 City Transfer Tax: \$0.00 (X) Unincorporated Area () City of IONE () computed on full value of property conveyed, or	
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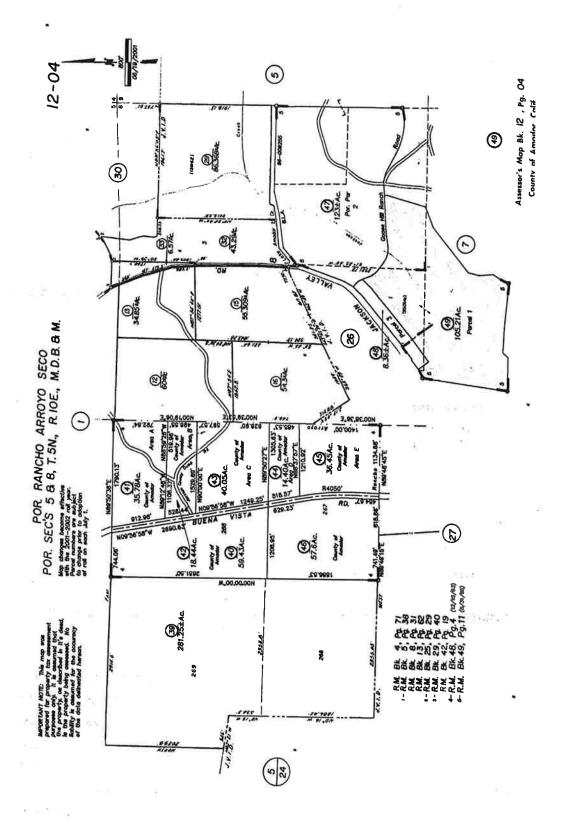
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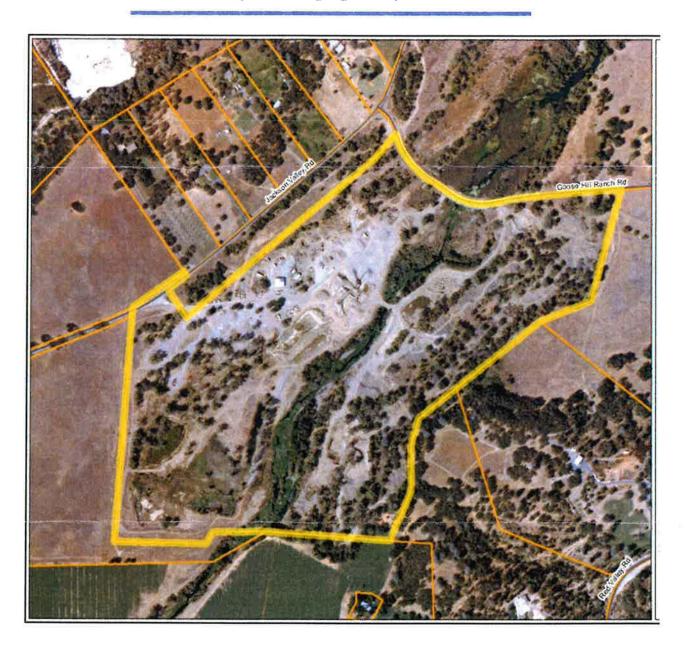
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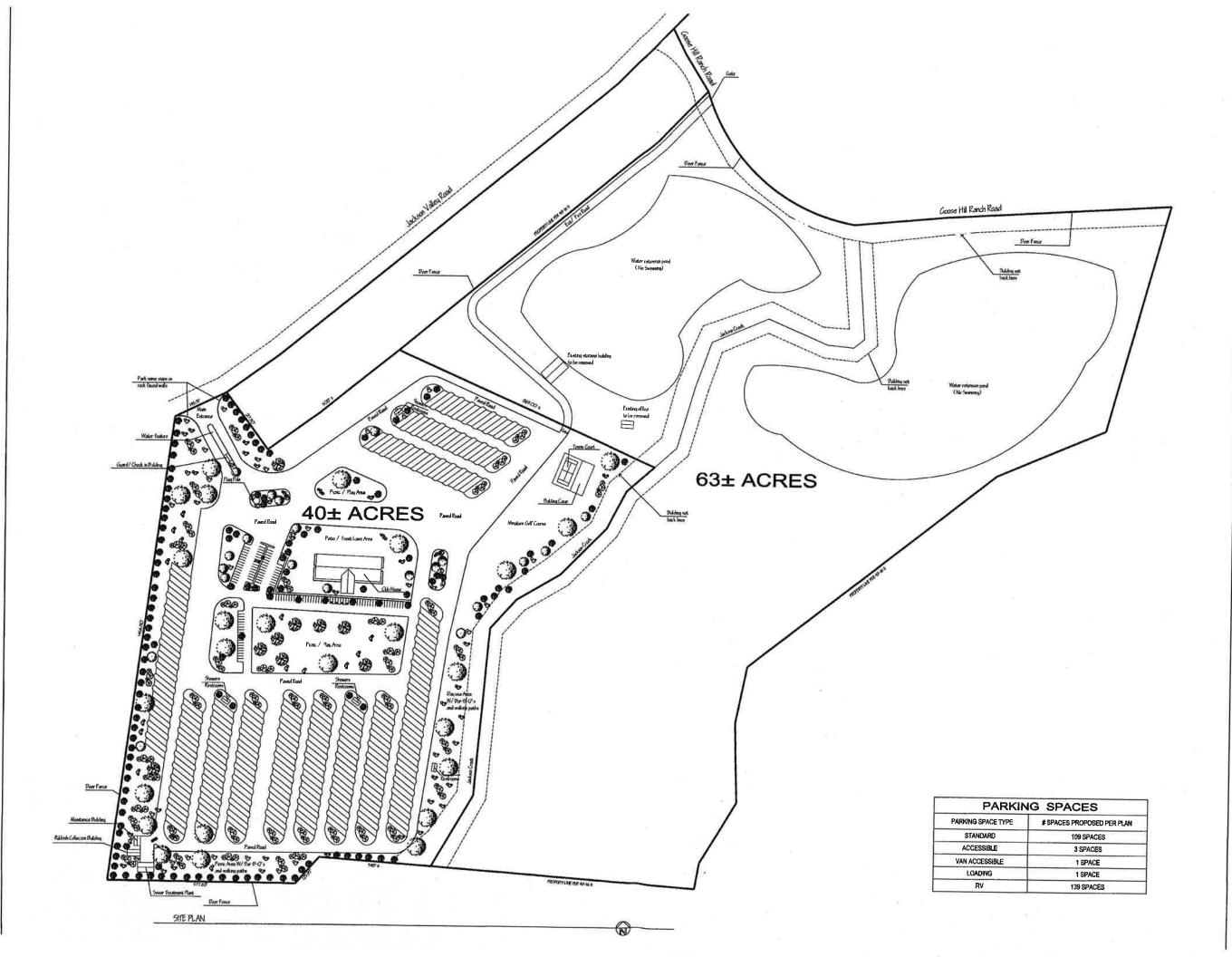
I, Gerry Ninnis authorize Doug Ketron to act in my behalf to file an appeal for zone change and permitting. En AN AMENDMENT AMLICATION A USE PERMIT Thank you.

Gerry Ninnis



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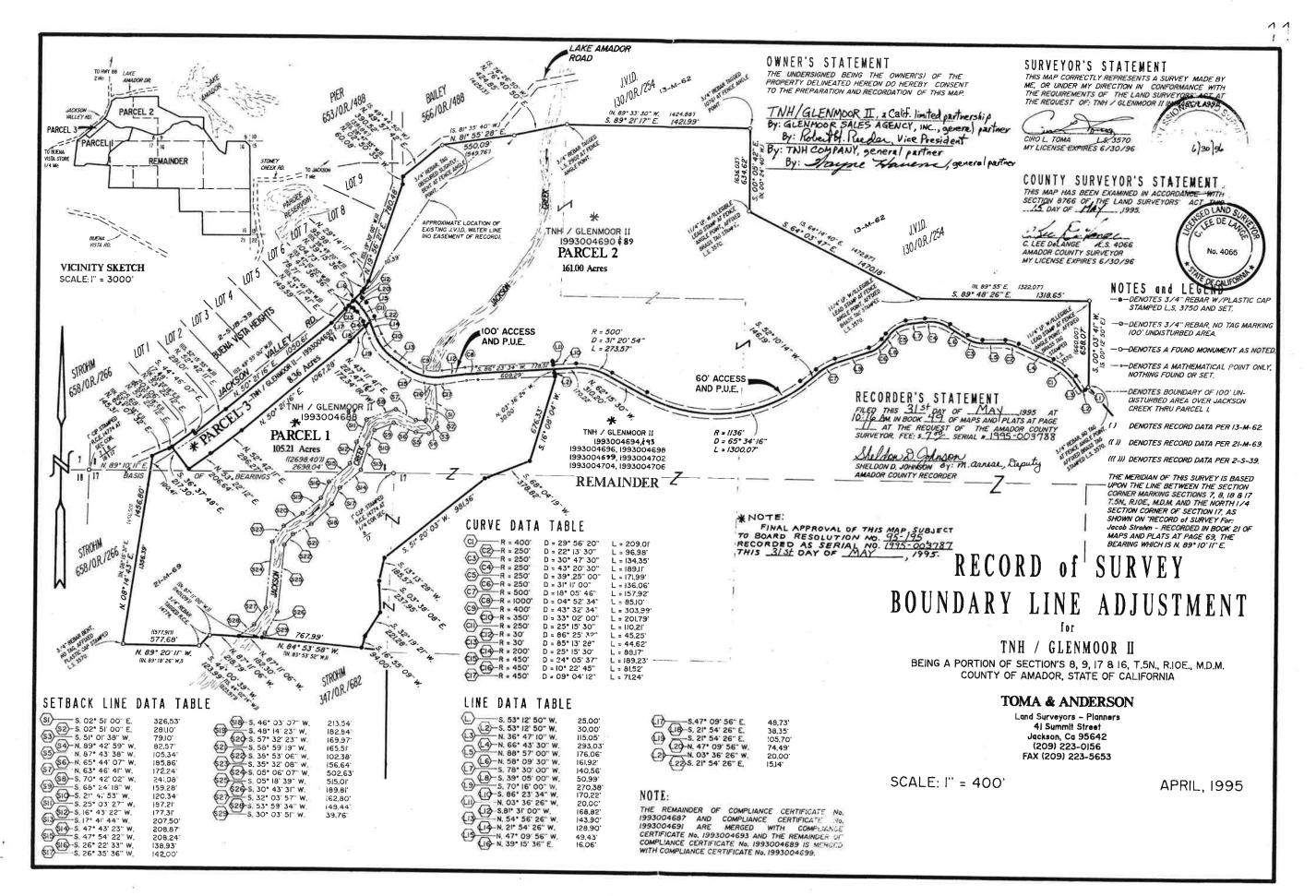
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OFFICIAL RECEIPT

Jackson, California

RECEIVED FROM GERLY Ninnis
ADDRESS PO BOX 480 Pine Grave CA 45665

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ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION FORM

(To be completed by applicant; use additional sheets as necessary.)

Attach plans, diagrams, etc. as appropriate.

Date Filed:		File No	0.
•	OWNER		GERRY NINNIS
Address		Address	P.O.BOX 980 PINE GROVE. CA 95665
Phone No.	*	Phone No.	(204) 988-4379
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WRITTEN PROJECT DESCRIPTION (Include the following information where applicable, as well as any other pertinent information to describe the proposed project):

- 1. Site Size
- 2. Square Footage of Existing/Proposed Structures
- 3. Number of Floors of Construction
- 4. Amount of Off-street Parking Provided (provide accurate <u>detailed</u> parking plan)
- 5. Source of Water
- 6. Method of Sewage Disposal
- 7. Attach Plans
- 8. Proposed Scheduling of Project Construction
- 9. If project to be developed in phases, describe anticipated incremental development.
- 10. Associated Projects
- 11. Subdivision/Land Division Projects: Tentative map will be sufficient unless you feel additional information is needed or the County requests further details.
- 12. Residential Projects: Include the number of units, schedule of unit sizes, range of sale prices or rents and type of household size expected.
- Commercial Projects: Indicate the type of business, number of employees, whether neighborhood, city or regionally oriented, square footage of sales area, and loading facilities.

- 14. Industrial Projects: Indicate type, estimated employment per shift, and loading facilities.
- 15. Institutional Projects: Indicate the major function, estimated employment per shift, estimated occupancy, loading facilities, and community benefits to be derived from the project.
- 16. If the project involves a variance, conditional use permit, or rezoning application, state this and indicate clearly why the application is required.

Environmental Information Form

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION Are the following items applicable to the project or its effects? Discuss below all items checked "yes" (attach additional sheets as necessary).

YES	NO		
		17.	Change in existing features or any lakes or hills, or substantial alteration of ground contours.
	X	18.	Change in scenic views or vistas from existing residential areas, public lands, or roads.
\boxtimes		19.	Change in pattern, scale, or character of general area of project.
	K	20.	Significant amounts of solid waste or litter.
	囟	21.	Change in dust, ash, smoke, fumes, or odors in the vicinity.
	囟	22.	Change in lake, stream, or ground water quality or quantity, or alteration of existing drainage patterns.
A		23.	Substantial change in existing noise or vibration levels in the vicinity.
	\square	24.	Site on filled land or has slopes of 10 percent or more.
	X	25.	Use or disposal of potentially hazardous materials, such as toxic substances, flammables, or explosives.
	区	26.	Substantial change in demand for municipal services (police, fire, water, sewage, etc.).
		27.	Substantially increase fossil fuel consumption (electricity, oil, natural gas, etc.).
		28.	Does this project have a relationship to a larger project or series of projects?

ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

- 29. <u>Describe</u> the project site as it exists before the project, including information on topography, soil stability, plants and animals, and any cultural, historical or scenic aspects. Describe any existing structures on the site, and the use of the structures. Attach photographs of the site (cannot be returned).
- 30. <u>Describe</u> the surrounding properties, including information on plants and animals and any cultural, historical, or scenic aspects. Indicate the type of land use (residential, commercial, etc.), intensity of land use (one family, apartment houses, shops, department stores, etc.), and scale of development (height, frontage, setback, rear yard, etc.). Attach photographs of the vicinity (cannot be returned).
- 31. <u>Describe</u> any known mine shafts, tunnels, air shafts, open hazardous excavations, etc. Attach photographs of any of these known features (cannot be returned).

Certification: I hereby certify that the statements furnished above and in the attached exhibits present the data and information required for this initial evaluation to the best of my ability, and that the facts, statements, and information presented are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Date November 26. 2019

(Signature)

FOR GERRY NINNES

Supplemental Environmental Information

Project Description:

- 1. Parcel size is 105.21 acres as depicted on that Record of Survey/Boundary Line Adjustment filed with the Amador County Recorder in Book 49 of Maps and Plats at Page 11.
- 2. There are no permanent structures on the site. Proposed structures may include a clubhouse and office (7000 square feet) and several toilet/shower outbuildings (350 square feet each)
- 3 All construction will be single story.
- 4. All parking will be on site. There will be no encroachment upon the County road other than the improved driveway.
- Domestic water is sourced from on-site wells.
- 6. Sewage will be disposed on site via engineered septic systems.
- 7. A conceptual plan is attached.
- 8. At this time there is no proposed schedule of construction. The site is currently occupied by a construction aggregate operation, and at the cessation of mining and implementation reclamation activities, it is proposed to amend such reclamation to facilitate the development of a recreational vehicle park.
- 9. It is logical to presume the development of the park would be phased as demand for sites increased.
- 10. There are no associated projects.
- 11. There is no subdivision or land division intended or required for this proposed use
- 12. This is not a residential project other than there may be living quarters for on-site staff. This would be limited to one unit.
- 13. This would be a commercial park for transitory recreational vehicles. It is estimated there might be a rotating occupancy of up to 100 recreational vehicles after the park matured and became established.

- The industrial use of the property for the production of construction aggregates will cease prior to initiating construction of the subsequent beneficial use project.
- 15. Institutional uses are not proposed.
- 16. The project will require a Conditional Use Permit consistent with County ordinances. An amendment to the General Plan is required to allow the proper zoning for such a facility.
- 17. Grading and physical features will be consistent with the approved Reclamation Plan. The developed area of about 40 acres will be flat but improved with the facilities for the recreational vehicle park. The 63-acre portion not included in the park will be contoured in a manner consistent with the approved Reclamation Plan.
- 18. There will be no significant change in scenic view or vistas. Two existing residences across the County road will be opposite the undeveloped portion. Landscaping will provide a view from the County road which currently is screened by unkempt vegetation.
- 19. The change in the general area is from an industrial project producing construction aggregate to one of recreational uses. The remainder which is currently mined lands will be recontoured for ponds and cattle grazing.
- 20. There will be an increase of solid waste produced by visitors.
- 21. Dust and noise will be reduced as the mining ceases and the park utilizes paved and landscaped areas.
- 22. There will be no significant changes in water or water quality. The County will supervise the construction and maintenance of an engineered septic system and potable water will meet standards for a Transient Non-resident Water System.
- 23. Existing noise and vibration will decrease due to the cessation of mining and aggregate production.
- 24. It is anticipated that the only slopes exceeding ten percent will be the banks of the existing creek traversing the parcel.
- There will be no hazardous materials on site.
- 26. There may be a slight increase for police and fire protection services, but due to the nature of visitors for recreational purposes, such increase is not significant. There sill be no change in demand for other public services.

- 27. Total consumption of fossil fuels will substantially decrease as the current use of the site for the production of construction aggregates consumes significant energy, both fuels and electric.
- 28. There is no association with other projects. It is intended the project stands alone.
- 29. The project site lies within the flood plain of Jackson Creek and is underlain by gravels deposited over the geologic development of Jackson Valley. It has experienced substantial surface disturbance, first by mining for gold in the 1800's, and more recently for the construction aggregates. There is no undisturbed area. Jackson Creek traverses the site. Inactive portions have spontaneously revegetated with riparian growth. North and east of the site the ground slopes upward and is suitable for light grazing.
- 30. North and northeast of the site on the opposite side of Jackson Valley Road the land has been subdivided into nine parcels of about six acres each. Several of these have single-family dwellings, the closest of which is about one-quarter of a mile from the current mining operation.
 - To the immediate south is irrigated crop land. To the east is a subdivision with 40-acre parcels with the nearest residence some one-half mile distant. To the west the Buena Vista restaurant and store are about one-half mile distant and continuing to the west an additional one-quarter mile is The Oaks residential area.
- 31. There are no none mine shafts or open hazardous excavations. Mining has been restricted to a horizon of alluvial sand and gravels with small, shallow pits remaining. The approved Reclamation Plan requires the area to be graded to eliminate any steep slopes resulting in an area for cattle grazing and riparian habitat.

INDEMNIFICATION

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In consideration of the County's processing and consideration of the application for the discretionary land use approval identified above (the "Project") the Owner and Applicant, jointly and severally, agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County of Amador from any claim, action, or proceeding against the County to attack, set aside, void or annul the Project approval, or any action relating related to the Project approvals as follows:

- 1. Owner and Applicant shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the County and its agents, officers or employees from any claim, action, or proceeding against the County or its agents, officers or employees (the "County") to attack, set aside, void or annul the Project approval, or any prior or subsequent determination regarding the Project, including but not limited to determinations related to the California Environmental Quality Act, or Project condition imposed by the County. The Indemnification includes, but is not limited to, damages, fees, and or costs, including attorneys' fees, awarded against County. The obligations under this Indemnification shall apply regardless of whether any permits or entitlements are issued.
- 2. The County may, within its unlimited discretion, participate in the defense of any such claim, action, or proceeding if the County defends the claim, action, or proceeding in good faith.
- 3. The Owner and Applicant shall not be required to pay or perform any settlement by the County of such claim, action, or proceeding unless the settlement is approved in writing by Owner and Applicant, which approval shall not be unreasonably withheld.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, by their signature below, Owner and Applicant hereby acknowledge that they have read, understand, and agree to perform the obligations under this Indemnification.

Applicant:	Owner (if different than Applicant):
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Signature	Signature / fulls