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Subject: Geologic Hazard Evaluation  
Proposed Mountains Edge Subdivision  
2060 East Ryan Circle  
Weber County, Utah  
Project No. 1170243

Gentlemen:

Applied Geotechnical Engineering Consultants, Inc. (AGEC) was requested to perform a geologic hazards evaluation for the proposed Mountains Edge Subdivision located at 2060 East Ryan Circle in Weber County, Utah.

### **1.0 PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF INVESTIGATION**

This study was performed to identify potential geologic hazards that may affect the proposed subdivision. The study includes a review of aerial photographs, geologic literature and LIDAR data for the area and a site reconnaissance. The study was performed in general accordance with our proposal dated March 30, 2017.

### **2.0 SITE CONDITIONS**

At the time of our site visit on March 30, 2017, there were no permanent structures or pavement on the site. Most of the vegetation has been removed from the site and a road has been graded into the site. Some utilities have been installed.

The ground surface at the site slopes gently down toward the south with a slope of less than 5 percent.

Vegetation at the site consists of grass, weeds and a few trees along the edges of the property.

The west side of the property is bordered by Sky Line Drive and the north side by 5625 South Street, which are two-lane, asphalt-paved roads in good condition. There are residential houses to the south and east of the property.

### **3.0 PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION**

We understand that the property is planned to be subdivided into four residential building lots. We anticipate the residences will be a one to two-story, wood-frame structures with basements.

### **4.0 GEOLOGIC SETTING**

Aerial photographs used in the geologic review were downloaded from the Utah Geological Survey website and have Photograph Nos. WF2-15\_207 and 208 with a date of 1970. The LIDAR data was obtained from the Utah Geological Survey. Geologic maps reviewed for the study are Yonkee and Lowe (2004), Nelson and Personius (1993), Coogan and King (2001), Elliott and Harty (2010) and the Utah Geological Survey (2017).

The geology map for the area from Yonkee and Lowe (2004) shows geologic units mapped for the area of the proposed subdivision consist of alluvial-fan and delta deposits. The Elliott and Harty (2010) landslide map and other geology maps reviewed show no landslide deposits on the property. Nelson and Personius (1993) and Yonkee and Lowe (2004) show the closest active fault to the site as the Wasatch fault zone located approximately 0.3 miles to the northeast. No active faults are mapped to extend through the property.

### **5.0 GEOLOGIC HAZARDS**

Geologic hazards considered for this study are surface fault rupture, seismicity, landslide, debris flow, rockfall and avalanche.

#### **5.1 SURFACE-FAULT-RUPTURE AND SEISMICITY**

No active faults are mapped to extend through the property. The closest active fault is approximately 0.3 miles to the northeast of the site. Review of aerial photographs of the property finds no evidence of lineations or other fault-related features extending through the property.

The property is located in the Intermountain seismic zone, which consists of an area of relatively high historical seismic activity. The largest seismic ground shaking is expected to originate from the Wasatch fault zone. The Wasatch fault zone is considered capable of producing earthquakes on the order of 7 to 7.5 magnitude and can result in significant seismic ground shaking at this property. Mapping by the U.S. Geological Survey indicates that a peak ground acceleration of 0.39g would have a

2 percent probability of being exceeded in a 50-year time period (IBC, 2012). In our professional opinion, surface-fault rupture is not a hazard at the site.

## **5.2 LANDSLIDE**

The geologic maps for the site do not show landslide deposits on the property. Review of the aerial photographs and site reconnaissance finds no evidence of landslide deposits on the property. The ground surface in this area is sufficiently flat such that in our professional opinion, landslide is not a hazard at the site.

## **5.3 DEBRIS FLOW**

The site is sufficiently distant from debris flow sources such that debris flow is not a hazard at this site.

## **5.4 ROCKFALL**

There are no sources of rock and no slopes of sufficient gradient to result in rockfall events on this property.

## **5.5 AVALANCHE**

The site is not located in a known avalanche hazard zone. There are no potential sources for avalanche near the site.

## **6.0 CONCLUSION**

The site is suitable for the proposed subdivision from a geologic hazard perspective. Seismic ground shaking is the primary geologic hazard to consider in development of the site. This hazard is mitigated through structural design of the building to lower the risk to human life and damage to property to an acceptable level as set forth in the International Building Code. There is no evidence that landslide, surface-fault-rupture, debris-flow, rockfall and avalanche will affect the proposed residence.

## **7.0 LIMITATIONS**

This report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted geologic engineering practices in the area for the use of the client. The findings and conclusions included in this report are based on conditions observed at the time of our site visit, review of geologic literature, aerial photographs, Lidar data and our experience in the area. Variations in the geologic conditions may not become evident until additional exploration or excavation is conducted. If geologic conditions are found to be significantly different from those described above, we should be notified to reevaluate the recommendations given.

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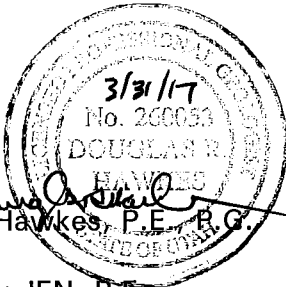
## 8.0 PREPARER QUALIFICATIONS

The geologist/engineer who prepared this report is a licensed geologist and engineer in the State of Utah and meets the minimum requirements of the Weber County geologic hazards ordinance for performing this study.

If you have questions or if we can be of further service, please call.

Sincerely,

APPLIED GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING CONSULTANTS, INC.

  
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Enclosure

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