

## COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ

#### PLANNING DEPARTMENT

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#### KATHLEEN MOLLOY PREVISICH, PLANNING DIRECTOR

June 15, 2011

Planning Commission County of Santa Cruz 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060 Agenda Date: July 27, 2011

**APN: 103-011-08 Application: 111066** 

Item #: 11

Time: After 9 AM

Subject: A public hearing to consider a proposal to rezone one lot of record from the Special Use (SU) zone district to the Timber Production (TP) zone district.

Members of the Commission:

On April 19, 2011, the County Planning Department accepted this application for a rezoning to Timber Production (TP). This is a proposal to rezone one parcel, of approximately 44.1 acres from the Special Use (SU) zone districts to the Timber Production (TP) designation.

#### **Background and Discussion**

The property owner, Dean E. McDaniel, also own an approximately 61.9 acre TP- zoned parcel, APN 103-022-06, which is contiguous with the subject property. The uses on the subject property consist of one single-family home and one or more accessory structures.

This project qualifies for a rezoning under California Government Code Section 51113.5 "Petition by owner to add to timberland production zone." This section allows a property owner with TP-zoned land to petition the County to rezone contiguous land not zoned TP to the TP zone. The only requirements for this type of rezoning are that the parcels must meet the definitions of Government Code Section 51104(f), (g) and (h)<sup>1</sup>. The County may not place any additional requirements on this petition to rezone the property to TP.

<sup>1</sup> Government Code Section 511.04

<sup>(</sup>f) "Timberland" means privately owned land, or land acquired for state forest purposes, which devoted to and used for growing and harvesting timber, or for growing and harvesting timber ad compatible uses, and which is capable of growing an average annual volume of wood fiber of at least 15 cubic feet per acre.

<sup>(</sup>g)"Timberland production zone" or "TPZ" means an area which has been zoned pursuant to Section 51112 and 51113 and is devoted to and used for growing and harvesting timber, or for growing and harvesting timber and compatible uses, as defined in subdivision (h).

<sup>(</sup>h) "Compatible use" is any use which does not significantly detract from the use of the property for, or inhibit, growing and harvesting timber, and shall include, but not be limited to, any of the following, unless in a specific instance such a use would be contrary to the preceding definition of compatible use:

<sup>(1)</sup>Management for watershed.

<sup>(2)</sup>Management for fish and wildlife habitat or hunting and fishing.

<sup>(3)</sup>A use integrally related to the growing, harvesting and processing of forest products, including but not limited to roads, log landings, and log storage areas.

<sup>(4)</sup>The erection, construction, alteration, or maintenance of gas, electric, water, or communication transmission facilities.

<sup>(5)</sup>Grazing

<sup>(6)</sup>A residence or other structure necessary for the management of land sound as timberland production.

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In accordance with Section 51113.5 of the State Government Code, the project meets the following criteria for rezoning to Timber Production:

- The property is contiguous with Timber Production zoned property under the ownership of one person, as defined in Section 38106 of the Revenue and Taxation Code (Exhibit C).
- The property is timberland, as it is capable of producing an average of 15 cubic feet of timber per acre annually (Exhibit E).
- The uses on the parcel comply with the Timber Production Zone uses set forth in Section 13.10.372.

This project qualifies for a statutory exemption in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and the County Environmental Review Guidelines (Article 17, Section 1703).

#### Conclusion

All of the criteria have been met for rezoning the subject parcel to the Timber Production zoning designation. All required findings can be made to approve this application pursuant to California State Government Code Section 51113.5.

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Commission adopt Resolution (Exhibit A), sending a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors for approval of Application 111066, to adopt the Ordinance rezoning the property to the TP zone district.

#### **EXHIBITS**

- A. Planning Commission Resolution, with Ordinance/ Findings
- B. APN map
- C. Location, Current Zoning and General Plan Designation and Ownership maps
- D. Notice of Exemption from CEQA
- E. Completion and/or Timber Stocking Report, prepared by Nancy Drinkard, Forest Practice Officer, dated July 7, 2000
- F. Letter from Cassady Bill Vaughan, Registered Professional Forester, dated February 8, 2011

Robin Bolster-Grant

Project Planner

Development Review

Reviewed By:

Cathy Graves
Principal Planner

## BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION OF THE COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO

On the motion of Commissioner duly seconded by Commissioner the following Resolution is adopted:

#### PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION SENDING RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE

ON PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE				
involving prointersection v	operty located at the end of a with Laurel Glen Road (1003 he proposed rezoning, all test	n has held a public hearing on Application No. 111066, n unnamed right-of-way about 1,500 feet north of the Laurel Glen Road), and the Planning Commission has imony and evidence received at the public hearing, and		
the Board of	Supervisors adopt the attach	WED, that the Planning Commission recommends that ed ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance by one district to the Timber Production zone district.		
		he Planning Commission makes findings on the port to the Planning Commission.		
		nning Commission of the County of Santa Cruz, State, 2011, by the following vote:		
AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:	COMMISSIONERS COMMISSIONERS COMMISSIONERS COMMISSIONERS			
		Chairperson		

APPROYED AS TO FORM:

CATHY GRAVES, Secretary

ATTEST:

COUNTY COUNSEL /

ORDINANCE NO.	

# ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 13 OF THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY CODE CHANGING FROM ONE ZONE DISTRICT TO ANOTHER

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Santa Cruz ordains as follows:

#### **SECTION I**

The Board of Supervisors finds that the public convenience, necessity and general welfare require the amendment of the County Zoning Regulations to implement the policies of the County General Plan and Local Coastal Program Land Use Plan regarding the timber resource property located at the end of an unnamed right-of-way about 1,500 feet north of the intersection with Laurel Glen Road (1003 Laurel Glen Road); finds that the zoning to be established herein is consistent with all elements of the Santa Cruz County General Plan and the Santa Cruz County Code, as modified by the *Big Creek* decision; and finds and certifies that the project is subject to a statutory exemption under the California Environmental Quality Act.

#### **SECTION II**

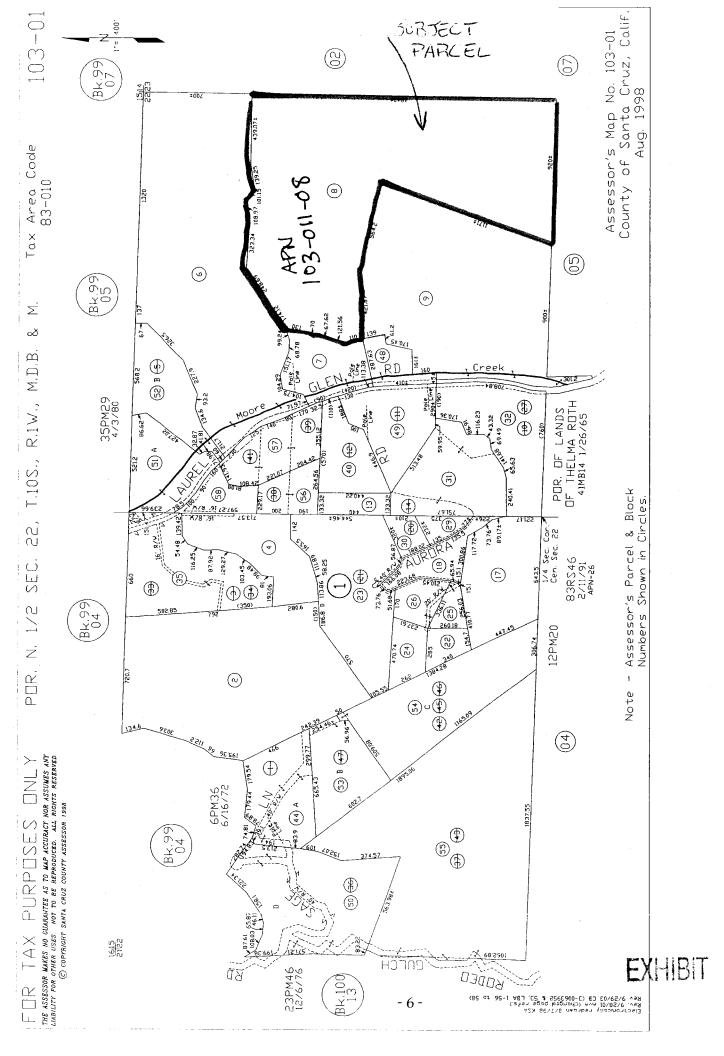
The Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the Zoning Plan Amendment as described in Section III, and adopts the findings in support thereof without modification as set forth below:

- 1. The proposed zone district will allow a density of development and types of uses which are consistent with the objectives and land use designations of the adopted General Plan; and
- 1. The proposed zone district is appropriate for the level of utilities and community services available to the land; and
- 2. The character of development in the area where the land is located has changed or is changing to such a degree that the public interest will be better served by a different zone district; and
- 3. The property meets the requirements of Government Code section 51113 or 51113.5 and County Code Section 13.10.375(c).

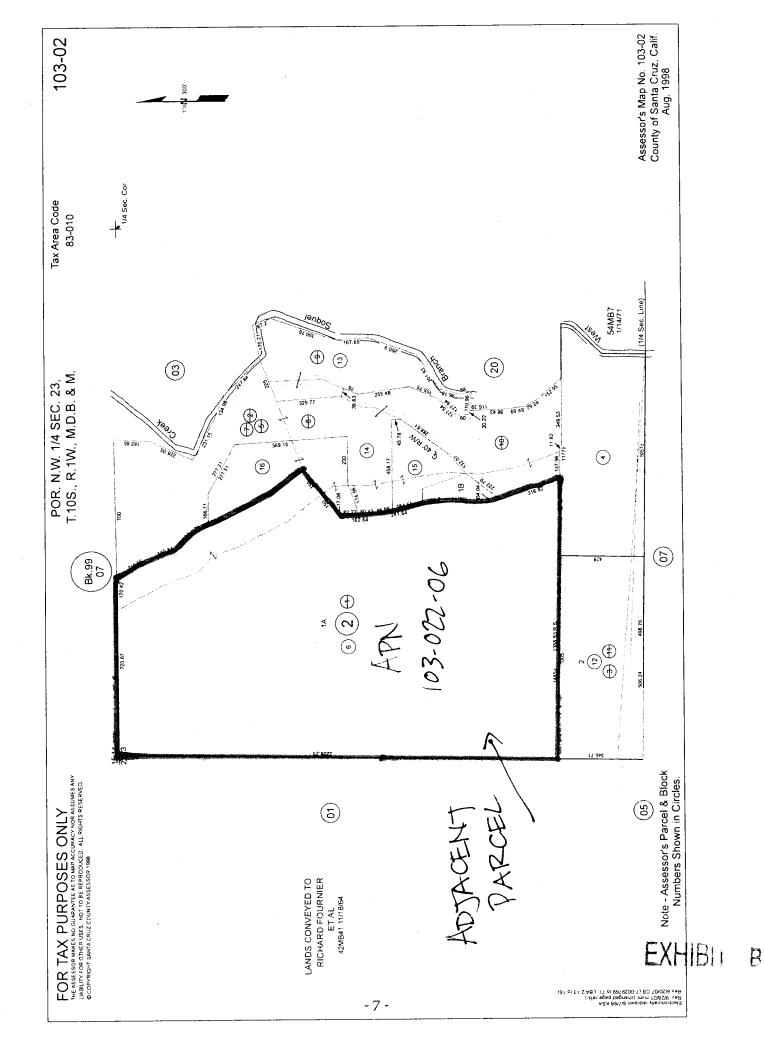
#### **SECTION III**

Chapter 13.10 - Zoning Regulations of the Santa Cruz County Code is hereby amended by amending Section 13.10.210 - Zoning Plan to change the following properties from the existing zone district to the new zone district as follows:

Assessor's Pa	rcel Number	<b>Existing Zone District</b>	New Zone District
103-01	11-08	Special Use (SU)	TP
		SECTION IV	
This ordinance	shall take effect on	the 31st day after the date o	f final passage.
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		Chairman of the	Board of Supervisors
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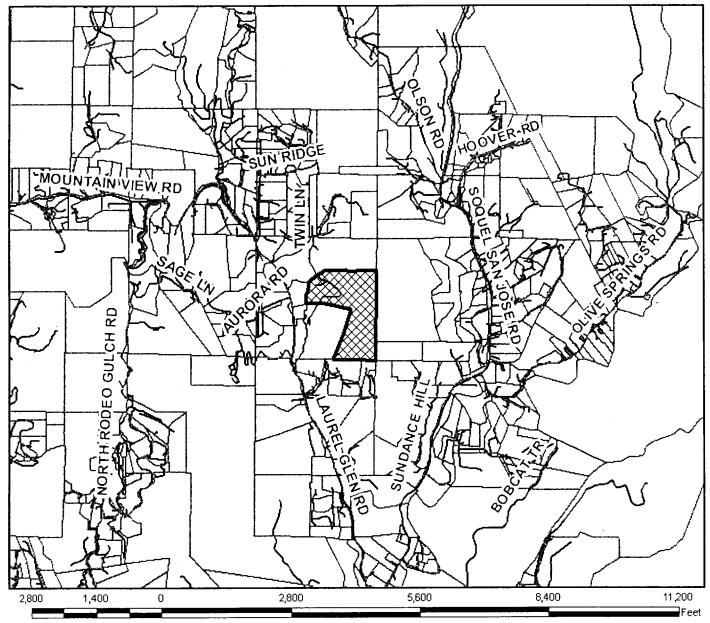


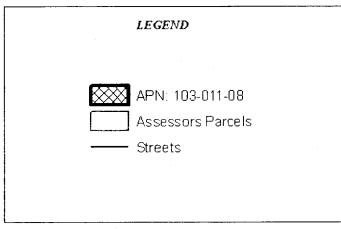
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# **Location Map**

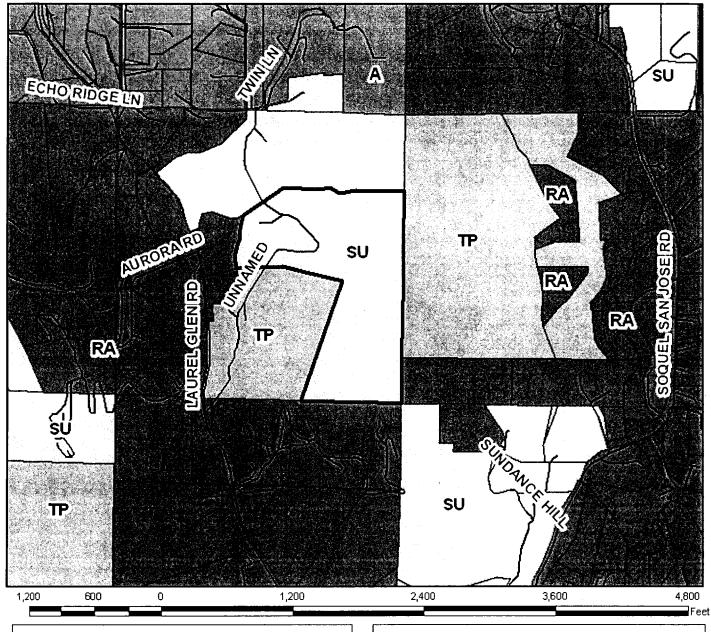








# **Zoning Map**







Map Created by County of Santa Cruz Planning Department June 2011

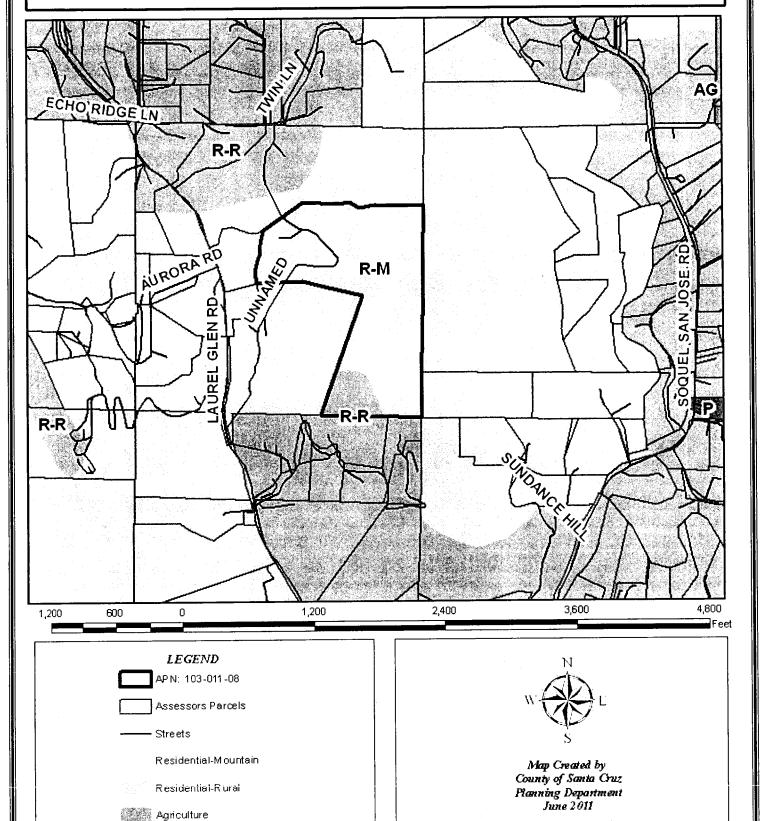
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## General Plan Designation Map

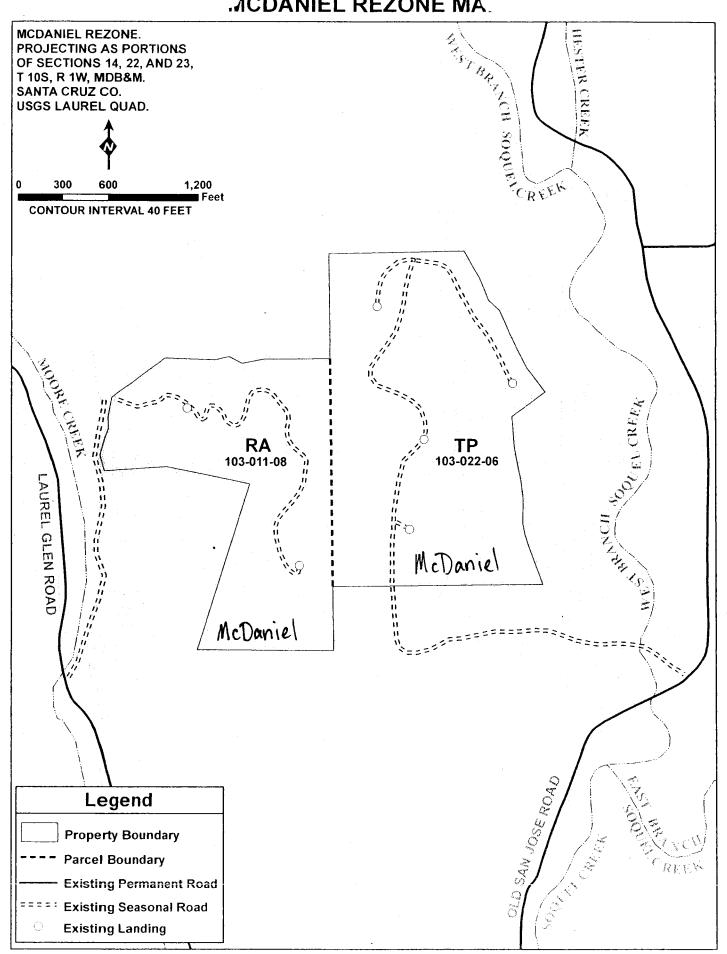


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EXHIBIT

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### JCDANIEL REZONE MA.



### CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

The Santa Cruz County Planning Department has reviewed the project described below and has determined that it is exempt from the provisions of CEQA as specified in Sections 15061 - 15332 of CEQA for the reason(s) which have been specified in this document.

Application Number: 111066

Project Des	cription: Rezone one parcel from the Special Use (SU) zone district to the Timber Production (TP) zone district.		
Person or A	agency Proposing Project: Dean E. McDaniel		
Contact Ph	one Number: (740) 818-9805		
A B	The proposed activity is not subject to CEQA as specified under CEQA		
C	<u>Ministerial Project</u> involving only the use of fixed standards or objective measurements without personal judgment.		
D. <u>X</u>	<u>Statutory Exemption</u> other than a Ministerial Project (CEQA Guidelines Section 15260 to 15285). [Section 1703]		
In addition,	none of the conditions described in Section 15300.2 apply to this project.		
	Date:		
Robin Bolst	er-Grant, Project Planner		

#### DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION

6059 Highway 9 Felton, CA 95018 (831) 335-6740

Section 4604 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) requires the department to inspect timber operations for compliance with the forest Practice Act and rules of the Board of Forestry.

July 10, 2000

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#### **NOTICE OF INSPECTION**

Harvest Document:

1-97-043-SCR7

Inspection Date:

July 7, 2000

Inspection Number:

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Person Contacted:

**SHARON POHL** 

## FINAL WORK COMPLETION REPORT INSPECTION LANDS OF POHL

No violations were observed within areas inspected. All work necessary to close out this THP has been completed to Forest Practice Act and THP requirements. Erosion control measures were working effectively. A Work Completion Report has been received by CDF, signed copy appended. Per the THP (#18), erosion control measures shall be maintained by the landowner, Sharon Pohl, for 3 years (until May 12, 2003).

Nancy Drinkard, RPF #1979

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Forest Practice Officer
San Mateo - Santa Cruz Ranger Unit
P.O. Drawer F2
Felton, CA 95018
(831) 335-6740

c: RPF
Plan Submitter
LTO
Timberland Owner
Region; Unit

State of California Department of Forestry

### Admin. Use Only

- a Con	nd Fire Protection apletion/Stocking Report	Area.	
RM	- 71 (Rev. 01/00) e One of Three	Date Received:	
J		Date Approved:	
	_	Date Sent to B.O.E.:	
	TIMBER OPERATIONS WORK COMPLETION (As per Div. 4, Chap. 8, Section 4585 and 4587 PRC, a	AND/OR STOCKING REPORT and Title 14 CCR Sections 1070 - 1075)	
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Other Reports

[ ] Conversion Permit. The Completion Report is necessary, but a stocking report is not required. Less Than Three Acre Conversion Exemption. The Completion Report is necessary, but a stocking report is not required. Emergency Notice or a THP with Substantially Damaged Timberland as per 14 CCR 1080.1, where a stocking report is not required.

For the selection from Other Reports above, the Director has determined that all of the requirements of the Forest Practice Act and forest practice rules:
[ ] have been completed.
[ ] have been completed and are not in compliance with the regulations and/or the rules. See attached documents for further information. A new completion report must be submitted upon completion of the work required in the documents attached.

Director, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

By:

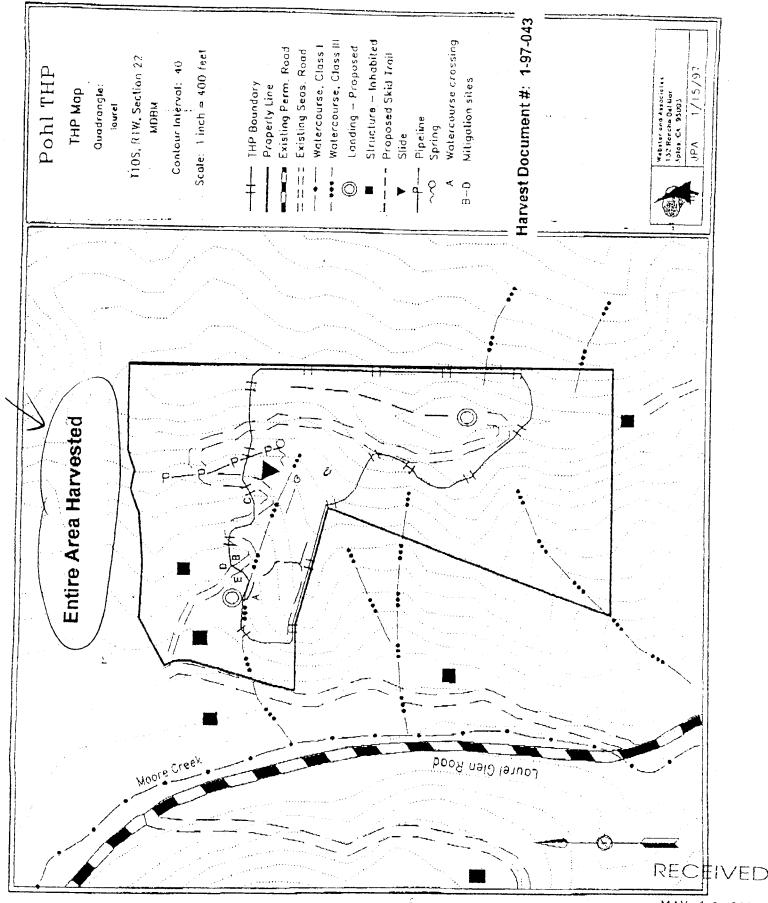
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EXHIBIT

# Staub Forestry & Environmental Consulting



February 8, 2011

County of Santa Cruz Planning Department Attn: Kathy Graves 701 Ocean Street, 5th Floor Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Re: Rezoning of Assessor's Parcel # 103-011-08 from RA to TP

This letter requests rezoning Santa Cruz County Assessor's Parcel #103-011-08 from its current Residential Agriculture (RA) designation to Timber Production (TP). The property is currently owned by Dean McDaniel, and is contiguous to a second parcel under their ownership (APN #103-022-26 that is currently zoned TP. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 51113.5, which states, "After March 1, 1977, an owner with timberlands in a timber production zone pursuant to Section 51112 or 51113 may petition the board or council (County) to add to his or her timberland production lands that meet the criteria of subdivisions (f) and (g) of Section 51104 and that are contiguous to the timberland already zoned as timberland production. Section 51113 shall not apply to these lands." we request that APN 103-011-08 be rezoned from RA to TP. Exemption from Section 51113 simply means that the rezoning application can be processed without a County Timber Management Plan.

APN 103-011-08 is a well-timbered property, composed of second and third-growth redwoods and a variety of hardwood species. The property was selectively logged in 1997, ands closed-out in 1998. The property is an excellent candidate for timber production zoning, in particular if it to be managed with the adjacent parcel which is also owned by Dean McDaniel. The property clearly meets the State's definition and standard of "Timberland", defined by California Government Code Section 51104 as, "Privately owned land, or land acquired for state purposes, which is devoted to and used for growing and harvesting timber, or for growing and harvesting timber and compatible uses, and which is capable of growing an average annual volume of wood fiber of at least 15 cubic feet per acre".

The property is currently used for private residential use and limited agriculture. The owner lives on-site and has maintained the property in a manner that is compatible with timber harvesting. The roads, trails, and landings used during the 1997 harvest are serviceable and can be reused for timber harvest purposes. Current land use and the location of structures and outbuildings appears compatible with the required access and space needed for timber management. If there are any questions regarding timber harvesting, or timber issues in general, please feel free to call or e-mail me at the number and address provided below.

Sincerely.

Cassady Bill Vaŭghan, RPF #2685