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Re: Bonner County Planning - VA0012-25 Agency Review - Variance - Administrative - Street Setback

1 message

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To: Bonner County Planning <planning@bonnercountyid.gov>
Cc: Jason Topp <jason.topp@bonnercountyid.gov>

Tue, May 13, 2025 at 11:19 AM

The Bonner County Road & Bridge Department is opposed to the proposed setback variance. The road is a County maintained road, and structures this close to the road can create issues with our ability to maintain the road, plow snow, trim brush, etc. effectively without taking special care not to damage buildings. In cases with the proposed structures being on a downhill slope (as is the case here), the distances that debris can travel are potentially even greater, and the risk is increased for potential damage that the County could be held liable for. For example, snow, ice, and rocks can fly 30ft off of the blades of passing snow plows, and pulverizing stumps and brush with the attachment on our excavator can throw woody debris quite a distance, all of which can damage siding, windows, etc. With that in mind, if approved, I recommend a condition of approval be a waiver of liability to Bonner County for any damage to the structure from roadway maintenance operations.

-Matt Mulder, PE
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Bonner County Road & Bridge
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On Tue, May 13, 2025 at 9:46 AM Bonner County Planning <planning@bonnercountyid.gov> wrote:

The above-named application has been submitted to the Bonner County Planning Department for processing.

Please review the application relative to your agency's area of expertise and include any recommended conditions of approval and supporting code sections. Please see attached for details.

Thank you,
Janna Brown, Administrative Assistant III
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