

Date: September 28, 2019

Project No.: | 230-1-6

Prepared For: Mr. Jack Chamberlain and Ms. Melissa Leet

TICONDEROGA PARTNERS LLC

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Re: Supplemental Geotechnical Recommendations for Grading

Activities During Wet Season Highland Estates Lots 9 to 11

Cobblehill Place and Cowpens Way

San Mateo, California

Dear Mr. Jack Chamberlain and Ms. Melissa Leet:

We understand construction for the above referenced project is scheduled to occur within the wet season and a Winter Grading Moratorium Exception Application has been submitted to the County of San Mateo. Prior to acceptance of that application a concurrence letter is being requested from us for completion of the proposed grading activities within the wet season. As you know, we previously performed a geotechnical investigation for the project and presented our findings in our report titled, "Updated Geotechnical Investigation, Highland Estates Lots 5 through 11, Ticonderoga Drive/Cobblehill Place/Cowpens Way, San Mateo, California" dated October 30, 2015.

In our opinion and from a geotechnical standpoint, we take no exception to grading activities being performed within the wet season provided precautions for wet weather grading are planned for and implemented during construction. The project's erosion control plans and appropriate stormwater pollution prevention program plans should be implemented and followed. Precautions to protect exposed site grades (especially slopes) should be planned for by the contractor and performed to maintain workability and stability at the site. Soils, especially those exposed to direct rainfall, may become difficult to work with, requiring additional stabilization measures, drying and processing, etc. to enable grading activities and meet project requirements. We have been retained to provide geotechnical observation and testing and can provide recommendations as needed. Provided the above and other precautions in the permit documents related to wet weather grading are planned for and performed, we take no exception to grading activities within the wet season. Our previous geotechnical report and letter should be referred to for additional recommendations not provided in this letter.

CLOSURE

We hope this provides the information you need at this time. Recommendations presented in this letter have been prepared for the sole use of Ticonderoga Partners, LLC specifically for the



Highland Estates project in San Mateo, California. Our professional services were performed, our findings obtained, and our recommendations prepared in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering principles and practices at this time and location. No warranties are either expressed or implied.

Should you have any questions, or if we may be of further service, please contact us at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Cornerstone Earth Group, Inc.

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