Public Works Committee of the MidCoast Community Council

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RE: Mitigation fees to fund drainage-only projects

Dear Neil.

During a January 29, 2003 joint meeting of the MidCoast Community Council's Planning and Zoning and Public Works Committees, a question was raised regarding the status of road mitigation fees and their availability for use on drainage projects not associated with other roadway improvements.

It is our understanding that mitigation fees can be used for drainage projects but some change in the mitigation fee ordinance may be required. In addition, a determination needs to be made concerning required changes to the road standards contained in the Community Plan.

We are eager to move forward and ask that you inform us of any recent opinions by County Counsel regarding this matter. Suggestions for specific changes to the Community Plan and a proposed strategy for achieving these would be greatly appreciated. Should it be more expeditious for us to contact County Counsel directly, we are willing to do so.

Thank you for your ongoing assistance. Sincerely,

Karen Wilson

Chair, MCC Public Works Committee

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