

**OR10-0001/Grading Ordinance** – As recommended by the Planning Commission on July 8, 2010

**Findings**

Based on the review and analysis of this project by staff and affected agencies, and supported by discussion in the staff report and evidence in the record, the following findings should be made:

**1.0 CEQA Findings**

- 1.1 El Dorado County has considered the Negative Declaration together with the comments received during the public review process. The Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment of the Board of Supervisors and has been completed in compliance with CEQA and is adequate for this proposal.
- 1.2 No significant impacts to the environment as a result of this project were identified in the initial study.
- 1.3 The documents and other materials which constitute the record of proceedings upon which this decision is based are in the custody of the Development Services Department - Planning Services at 2850 Fairlane Court, Placerville, CA, 95667.

**2.0 General Plan Findings**

- 2.1 The proposed ordinance amendment is consistent with applicable General Plan policies, specifically Policy 7.1.2.2 which stipulates all discretionary and ministerial projects that require earthwork and grading, including cut and fill for roads, shall be required to minimize erosion and sedimentation, conform to natural contours, maintain natural drainage patterns, minimize impervious surfaces, and maximize the retention of natural vegetation.

**3.0 California Building Code**

- 3.1 The proposed ordinance amendment is consistent with applicable Building Codes currently adopted and applied by the County Building Department, specifically Appendix J, Section J103 of the 2007 California Building Code which stipulates when a grading permit shall be required.