



Chief Administrative Office  
Attn: Chief Administrative Officer  
330 Fair Lane  
Placerville, CA 95667

**RE: Request for Grading Permit Fee Waiver**

Dear Chief Administrative Officer,

In 2013, the American River Conservancy (ARC) began the phased acquisition of the approximately 7,500-acre El Dorado Ranch property, located along the west side of Highway 49 and north of the Cosumnes River. Complete acquisition of the property is anticipated to take place by 2025-2026 and the property will subsequently transfer to the State Department of Fish & Wildlife to establish the El Dorado Ranch Wildlife Area, which will be open to the public for hiking, hunting, wildlife viewing, etc. To facilitate public access, ARC is responsible for constructing a trailhead and parking lot off Highway 49 prior to transferring the property to the State.

ARC has contracted with Lebeck Engineering, Inc. and has already engaged with Caltrans to coordinate design and state compliance along the highway. Now, as we prepare to submit the Conditional Use Permit to the County, for your consideration, I would like to request that all fees associated with the El Dorado County Grading Permit for the El Dorado Ranch Trailhead Project be waived.

Included with this request you will find ARC's 501(c)3 non-profit status letter from the State Department of the Treasury and project site design plan.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elena DeLacy". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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