Exhibit A - Vicinity Map

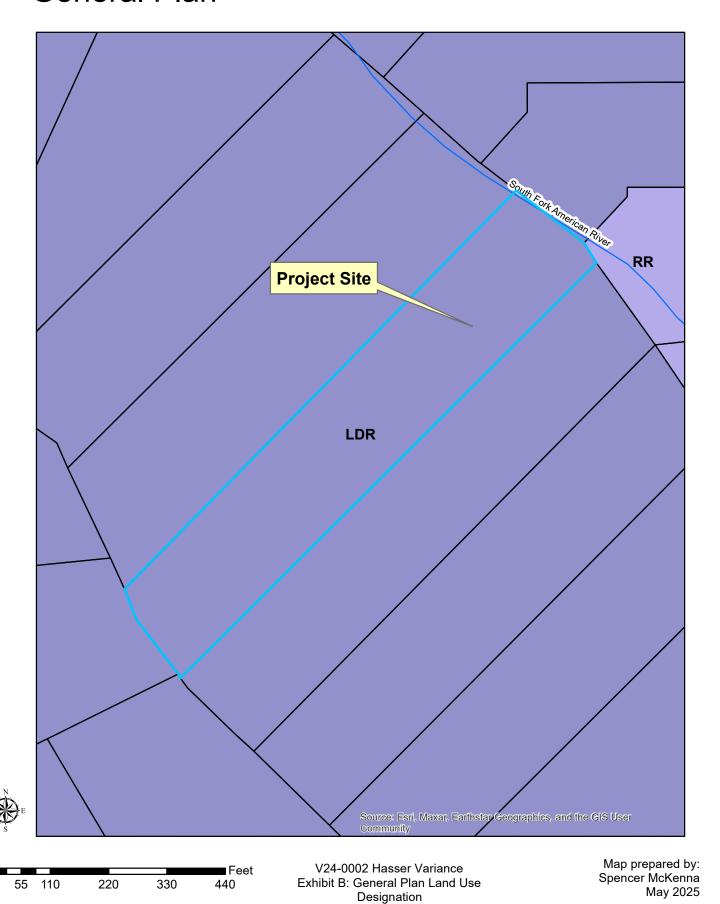




V24-0002 Hasser Variance Exhibit A: Vicinity Map Map prepared by: Spencer McKenna May 2025

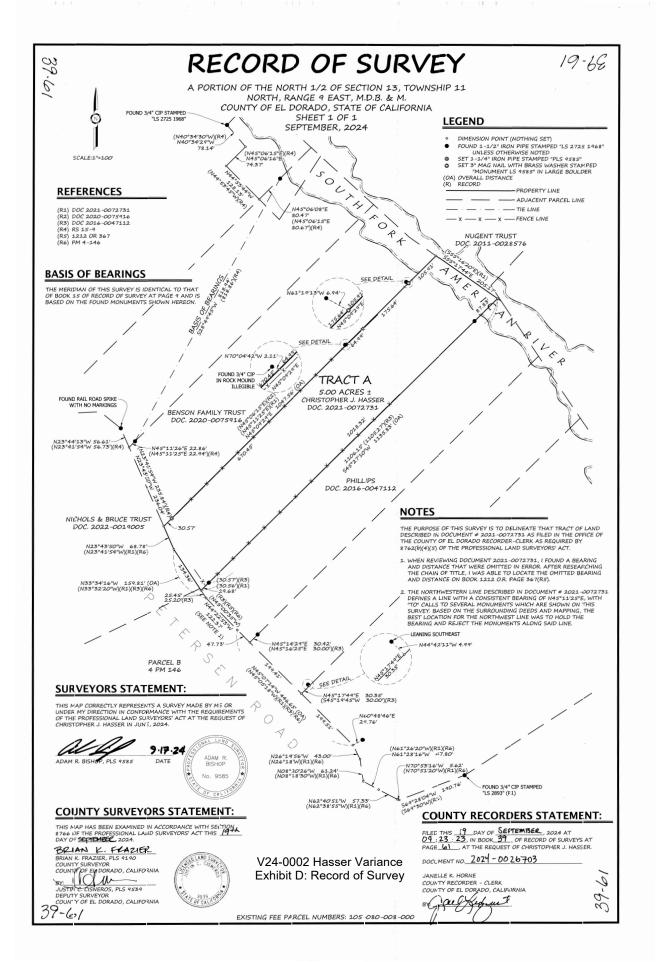
General Plan

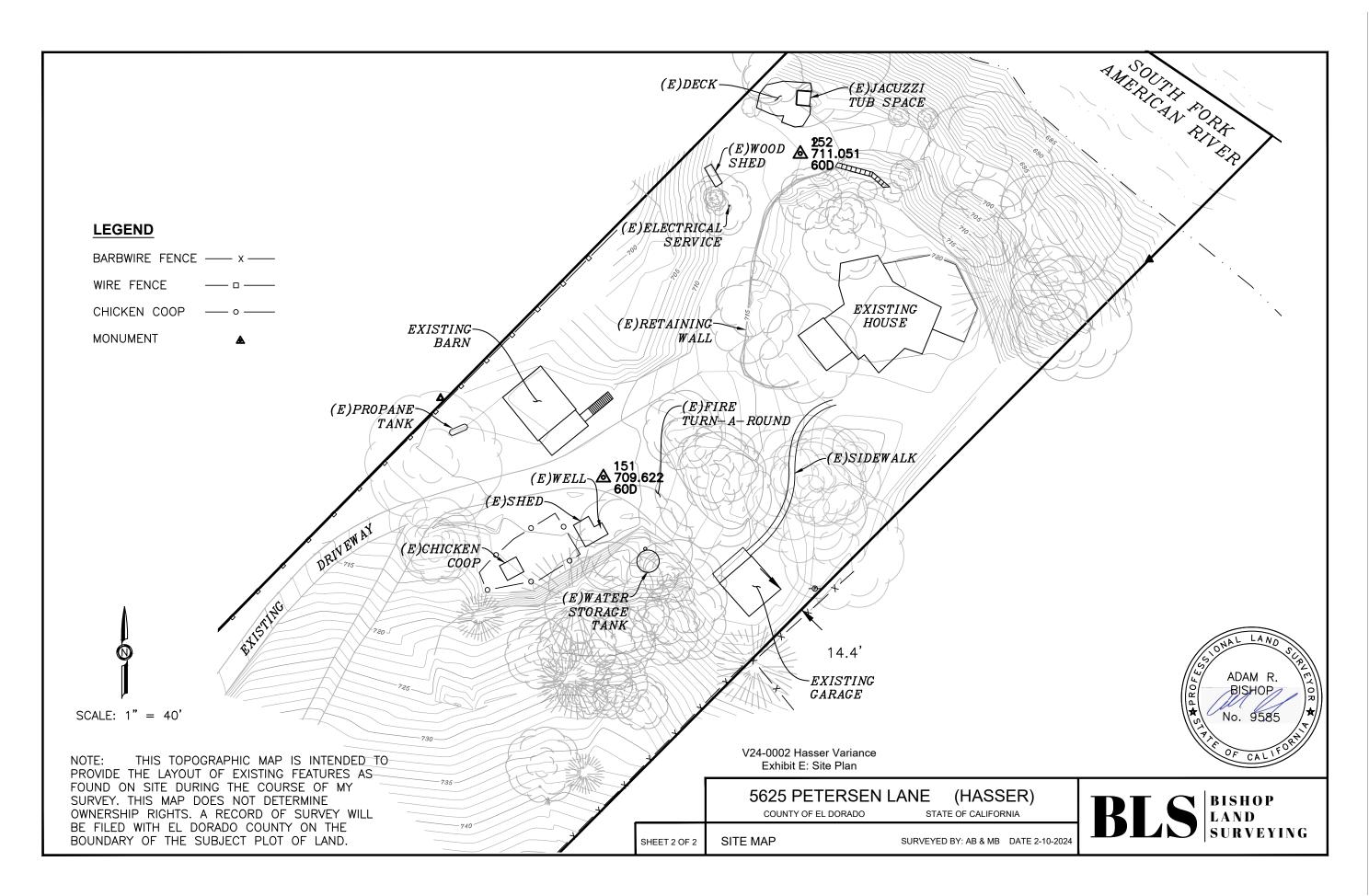
1 inch = 167 feet



Zoning







Garage Side Setback Variance Application Supporting Information

Chris Hasser 5625 Petersen Lane, Lotus APN 105-080-008-000 July 2024

With the support of my neighbors I am asking for a side setback variance for a garage that was built by a previous owner of my property in the 1970's. This document contains responses to the four required findings for approving a variance, with supplemental site information to help describe the unusual constraints on the property that make the variance necessary.

The four requirements this document responds to are that:

- 1) There are exceptional or extraordinary circumstances or conditions applying towards the land, building, or use referred to in the application, which circumstances or conditions do not apply generally to land, buildings and uses in the vicinity and the same zone, and have not resulted from any act of the owner or applicant.
- 2) The strict application of the provisions of the ordinance requested to be varied would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or building, allowed for other land in the vicinity and the same zone.
- 3) The variance is the minimum necessary for the reasonable use of the land or building
- 4) The variance is in conformity with the intent of this article and not detrimental to the public health, safety, and welfare, or injurious to the neighborhood.

1. Exceptional or Extraordinary Circumstances

The property at 5625 Petersen Lane is a 175-foot-wide lot, much narrower than typical RA-5 lots in the county and the local area, with extraordinary features that make the siting of the existing garage (built in 1977) the only viable location for a garage. Several features further constrict the width of the lot to create this situation, most notably the Fire Safe required (14 CCR § 1273.05) 80-foot turnaround (surrounding an island of oak trees) that takes up most of the width of the property between side setbacks and a depressed drainage area far below grade that takes away the remaining width of the property. Oak groves and a slope greater than 30% eliminate any other possible placements. See the Site Layout section below for more information.

2. Ordinance Deprives Reasonable Use

Strict application of the planning ordinances would require removal of a garage that has been on the parcel since 1977, two owners ago, well before any existing neighbors purchased their homes. Building a new garage meeting the setback requirements would not be possible

because there are no other reasonable buildable sites for a garage (see the Site Layout section below). The garage is a basic necessity for reasonable use of the property.

3. Minimum Necessary Variance

The garage is 14.4 feet from the property line, requiring a variance of 15.6 feet to meet the minimum 30 foot setback requirement.

4. Not Detrimental to the Public or the Neighborhood

The garage has stood in its present location since 1977 -- 47 years -- without any detriment to the neighborhood. It lies over 250 yards from Petersen Lane and cannot be seen from any roads. The variance would enhance neighborhood safety by maintaining easy fire department access to a 5,000 gallon water tank. Both adjacent neighbors and the neighbors across the street have written in support of this variance.

Site Layout

The garage is an integral part of a site layout that has existed on this property for at least 47 years. The layout includes a 750-foot driveway ending in a required FireSafe turnaround near the main home, an island of oak trees in the center of the turnaround, the main home, the garage, a shop building, and a 5,000 gallon water tank with fire department drafting hydrant for local fire defense. Figure 1 shows an annotated site plan closeup with the garage in the bottom

center of the image (red annotations describe vantage points for photographs later in this document).

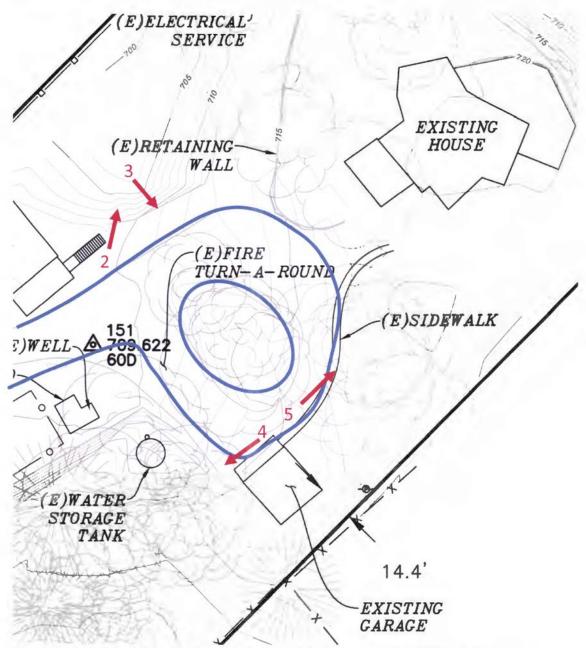


Figure 1: Annotated site plan showing depressed drainage area (top left), existing garage (bottom center) and other features. Red numbers and arrows represent vantage point and view direction for each of the photo figures

No Other Possible Placements

Four photographs will augment the 2D plan view of Figure 1 to show how terrain and trees contribute to preventing any other possible placements for a garage. The red annotations in Figure 1 indicate the vantage points and directions of view of the photographs in Figures 2 through 5. The red numbers correspond to the figure numbers, and the arrows indicate direction of view (imaging you're standing on the red number and looking in the direction of the arrow).

Figure 2 shows the view from the driveway by the barn looking North towards the depressed area on the side of the property that restricts the buildable width of the property. Moving forward from this vantage point down into the depressed area, then turning right, gives the vantage point shown in Figure 3 which shows how far below grade the drainage is.



Figure 2: View from driveway by barn to the North, into the drainage that reduces the buildable width of the property (house appears in the background on the right)



Figure 3: View from the depressed area beside the barn, looking towards the Southeast side boundary of the property (towards the garage, visible on the right, and the house, visible on the left)

Oak groves and a slope greater than 30% eliminate any other possible placements. Figure 4 shows the view from the garage to the Southwest, with an oak grove on a rocky slope. Figure 5 shows the view from the garage towards the house, with an oak grove, large rocks, and the side setback precluding alternative placement.



Figure 4: View from garage, Southwest towards Petersen Lane, showing oak grove on rocky slope exceeding 30% grade, and 5,000 gallon water tank



Figure 5: View from garage to the Northeast, towards the house, showing oak grove, large rocks, and side setback (indicated by orange line in photo)

5625 Petersen Lane Lotus, CA 95651 (530) 503-0225

July 24, 2024

Ms. Bianca Dinkler El Dorado County Planning Department 2850 Fairlane Ct # C, Placerville, CA 95667

Dear Ms. Dinkler,

Please find enclosed my application for a setback variance for the existing garage at the address listed above. The application covers these nine required items:

- 1) Application Form see attached
- 2) Letter of Authorization not applicable; only one owner
- 3) Proof of Ownership (Grant Deed) not required; my name is on tax roll
- 4) Location Map see attached
- 5) Name & address of applicant included in this letter
- 6) Variance Findings Support Information Form see attached
- 7) Plant Survey not applicable; this parcel, APN 105-080-08, is not in a Rare Plant Mitigation Area
- 8) Road Maintenance Association Coloma/Lotus PRC, PO Box 584, Lotus, CA 95651
- 9) Archeological Resources Record Search A search has been conducted at the North Central Information Center; please see attached Sensitivity Letter

I appreciate the large amount of staff time that goes into handling these applications, and also appreciate staff assistance helping me to the point that this application was possible.

Sincereley,

Christopher J. Hasser

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To: Bianca Dinkler

El Dorado County Planning Department

2850 Fairlane Ct # C, Placerville, CA 95667

Re: Variance approval for Chris Hasser

Fr: Keri and Richard Phillips

5641 Petersen Lane Lotus, CA 95651

This letter is being submitted by Kerith (Keri) and Richard (Rich) Phillips, neighbors to Chris Hasser. Chris is asking for a permit variance clearance for a boat garage. The garage has been in the current location prior to either of us purchasing the property. We are fine granting - and in fact support - the variance request since that building is longstanding.

We support the request under the condition that the building is redone without adding any restrooms or height to the building without our knowledge. There are multiple buildings on the property, and as long as this does not add space for any level of rental or income property, Rich and I approve of the granting of the variance from 30' to 14'.

Respectfully, Richard and Keri Phillips

Keri Phillips

Rich Phillips

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Bianca Dinkler El Dorado County Planning Dept 2850 Fairlane Ct Bldg C Placerville, CA. 95667

Dear Bianca.

I'm writing on behalf of Chris Hasser in full support of his request for a zoning variance to reduce the required setback for a garage on his property.

The structure in question is on the other side of a hill from the road and cannot be seen from the road or from my house. Considering how long this garage has been there, and the zero impact that it has on the neighborhood and community, I recommend that a zoning variance is issued. This would also keep the structure standing and eliminate the need to take down a viable structure.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Tom Freer

5660 Petersen Lane Lotus, CA. 95651

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