

FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES OF OCTOBER 22, 2015

AGENDA ITEMS

2. 15-1146 Hearing to consider a request to allow the construction of a wireless telecommunication facility [Special Use Permit S15-0008/Verizon Wireless Communication Facility (Mono-Pine)]* on property identified by Assessor's Parcel Number 041-011-30, consisting of 48.26 acres, in the Grizzly Flat area, submitted by Verizon Wireless; and staff recommending the Planning Commission take the following actions:
1) Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration based on the Initial Study prepared by staff; and
2) Approve Special Use Permit S15-0008 based on the Findings and subject to the Conditions of Approval as presented.
(Supervisory District 2)

Jennifer Franich presented the item to the Commission with a recommendation of approval.

Alan Heine, applicant's agent, conducted a PowerPoint presentation.

Mark Almer, Grizzly Flat Fire Safe Council, referenced their written public comment and on behalf of the entire Council, publicly supported this project. The entire community currently has no cell service and this is a critical issue during emergency situations. Mr. Almer went on to state that this project made public safety sense and not only urged the Commission to approve this project but to also have staff fast track the permitting process.

Don Spear, Transportation Division, supported the project as it will provide safety to his staff, especially during the winter and night times.

Melanie Hessing, long-time Grizzly Flat resident, made the following comments:

- Thanked staff for their dedication and service to the residents of El Dorado County;
- This project addressed the public safety issue; and
- Critical to quickly process the required permits for this project.

Chair Stewart closed public comment.

Tiffany Schmid thanked the public for coming to today's hearing and providing so much community support for this project.

There was no further discussion.

Motion: Commissioner Pratt moved, seconded by Commissioner Miller, and carried (4-0), to take the following actions: 1) Adopt the Mitigated Negative Declaration based on the Initial Study prepared by staff; and 2) Approve Special Use Permit S15-0008 based on the Findings and subject to the Conditions of Approval as presented.

AYES: **Shinault, Miller, Pratt, Stewart**

NOES: **None**

ABSENT: **Heflin**

This action can be appealed to the Board of Supervisors within 10 working days.