

Date: May 24, 2017  
Project No.: 230-1-8

Prepared For: Mr. Jack Chamberlain  
**TICONDEROGA PARTNERS, LLC**  
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Re: Response to County of San Mateo  
Geotechnical Review Comments  
San Mateo Highlands (Lot 5)  
2131 Ticonderoga Drive  
San Mateo, California

Dear Mr. Chamberlain:

As requested, this letter presents the our response to the County of San Mateo, Planning and Building Department comments for the above referenced project, dated April 26, 2017. Our services were performed in accordance with our proposal and agreement, dated May 24, 2017. As you know, our firm prepared a report for this project, titled "Updated Geotechnical Investigation, Highland Estates Lots 5 through 11, Ticonderoga Drive/Cobblehill Place/Cowpens Way, San Mateo, California" dated October 30, 2015.

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### Response to Comments

**Comment #1:** *The Geotechnical report dates from 2009. Please ask the Geotechnical Engineer to provide an update letter for the Geotechnical report that confirms that the information in the report is still valid and which provides updated seismic design parameters.*

**Response:** Please note that Cornerstone Earth Group also prepared a geotechnical report for this project, titled "Updated Geotechnical Investigation, Highland Estates Lots 5 through 11, Ticonderoga Drive/Cobblehill Place/Cowpens Way, San Mateo, California" dated October 30, 2015. This report has done under California 2013 building code since it was in effect when the report was submitted prior to January 1st, 2017, however, all the seismic coefficients listed in the report are still valid for CBC 2016.

**Comment #2:** *Provide a letter from the Geotechnical Engineer confirming that the foundation plans, details, specifications, and calculations have been reviewed and that it has been determined that the recommendations in the Soils report are properly incorporated into the plans.*

**Response:** Please refer to the attached Plan Review letter.

**Closure**

We hope this provides the information you need at this time. Recommendations presented in this letter have been prepared for the sole use of Ticonderoga Partners, LLC specifically for the properties at 2131 Ticonderoga Drive (Lot 5) in San Mateo, California. Our professional services were performed, our findings obtained, and our recommendations prepared in accordance with generally accepted geotechnical engineering principles and practices at this time and location. No warranties are either expressed or implied.

If you have any questions or need any additional information from us, please call and we will be glad to discuss them with you.

Sincerely,

**Cornerstone Earth Group, Inc.**



Scott E. Fitinghoff, P.E., G.E.  
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AEA: SEF

Attachments: Foundations Plans for Lot 5 by SI/FME, Inc., as dated May 23, 2017.

Addressee (1 by email)

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