



BEFORE THE CITY OF CANNON BEACH

IN THE MATTER OF A DEVELOPMENT)	
PERMIT FOR EXCAVATION FOR THE)	
PURPOSE OF A GEOTECHNICAL)	FINDINGS OF FACT,
EVALUATION AT 1624 FOREST LAWN)	CONCLUSIONS, AND
RD, TAXLOT# 51030DA04500)	ORDER, DP#24-02
APPROVING THE REQUEST AND ADOPTING)	
FINDINGS)	
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ZONE: Residential Medium Density (R2)
 APPLICANT: Jacqui Boyer, Earth Engineers Inc.

The above-named applicant applied to the City for review and approval of a permit to excavate two geotechnical test pits in order to understand subsurface conditions for potential future geotechnical design of a shoreline stabilization structure at 1624 Forest Lawn Rd. The City of Cannon Beach orders that this request for approval of a development permit is granted subject to conditions, and adopts the findings of fact, conclusions and conditions contained in Exhibit A.

This decision may be appealed to the Planning Commission by an affected party by filing an appeal with the City within fourteen days of the date of this decision. This permit becomes effective after the expiration of the appeal period as per CBMC 17.92.010(C)(2)(c).

DATED: March 4, 2024



 Robert St. Clair
 Planner

EXHIBIT "A"
FINDINGS OF FACT
EXCAVATION FOR GEOTECHNICAL EVALUATION – DP#24-02

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: Taxlot# 51030DA04500
PROPERTY LOCATION: 1624 Forest Lawn Rd.
APPLICANT: Jacqui Boyer, Earth Engineers Inc.
PROPERTY OWNER: Drake Nicholson
ACTION: Approved

BACKGROUND

The proposed project is the excavation of two geotechnical test pits adjacent to the bluff face at 1624 Forest Lawn Rd. The application materials state that the purpose of the excavation is to assess subsurface conditions at the base of the bluff for the design of a potential future shoreline stabilization structure at the property. Each test pit will be backfilled after data collection and no material will be removed from the site as a result of this project. The placement of structural or non-structural shoreline stabilizations are not authorized by this permit.

APPLICABLE CRITERIA

The following sections of the Cannon Beach Municipal Code are applicable to this application:

- 17.52.060 – Dune Construction Standards, Geological Site Investigation-Required

FINDINGS

(1) Section 17.52.060 states that site specific investigations by a registered geologist shall be required prior to development on dunes. These reports are required to include a history of erosion or other hazards in the area, recent evidence of erosion, potential adverse effects of the development, and recommendations including types of protection required for the use on the subject property and adjacent properties. Conditional use permit applications for shoreline stabilizations require that the applicant demonstrate that there is a critical need to protect property threatened by an erosion hazard and that impacts to adjacent properties are minimized. This information can only be obtained through the collection of site-specific data in preparation of a geotechnical report.

17.52.060 Geological Site Investigation – Required

Site specific investigations by a registered geologist shall be required prior to the issuance of a building permit in open sand areas, property with slopes of twenty percent or more or other sites which the building official determines may have significant potential for wind erosion or other hazards. The report shall include the history of erosion or other hazards in the vicinity of the site, a map of areas in the vicinity of the site with recent evidence of erosion, a presentation of potential adverse effects of the development, recommendations on where structures should be located, suggestions on the type of protection required for the proposed use and nearby property, and other material required by the building official.

CONCLUSIONS

The Community Development Department has reviewed the application and determined that it meets the applicable criteria, upon the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

1. The applicant shall obtain necessary permits or exemptions, including a drive on beach permit, from Oregon Parks and Recreation Department prior to the start of work.
2. The use of motorized equipment shall be limited to between the hours of 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM per Municipal Code Section 8.16.
3. The applicant shall provide no less than 24 hours notice to the City of Cannon Beach Community Development Department before the start of work.
4. This permit does not authorize the placement of any structural or non-structural shoreline stabilizations.

Site Map

