August 14, 2014

Contact Name

Street Name

City, State Zip

**Reduced Set Back** for **Project:** **#****-**

Dear      ,

The following information is provided relative to the fire protection of       in     , CA. This geographic location located in a Fire Hazard Severity Zone within State Responsibility Area Lands. The Agency Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) is CAL FIRE/San Luis Obispo County Fire Department. This is a full time paid department that utilizes Paid Call Firefighters (PCF) to augment fulltime staff.

The nearest CAL FIRE/County Fire Station (#Number-City) is located at Address with a       mile driving distance and an approximately       minute response time. An additional CAL FIRE/County Fire engine with a      road miles distance and an approximate       minute response time would respond from station (#Number-City) located at      , CA.

We have reviewed your request for a reduced set back from the required 30 feet for parcels over 1 acre in size. CAL FIRE/San Luis Obispo County Fire Department only allows a reduced set back less than the required 30 feet when the applicant can prove that they will still be able to maintain an effective fire break of 30 to 100 feet from the structures, including that area beyond the property line. This is accomplished through an easement, a permanent road or improvement/fuel reduction on the other side of the property line or by some other means acceptable to the Fire Chief. The code requires:

The County will not allow a reduced set back of less than 10% of the lot width of the parcel regardless of whether the above can be shown. After reviewing the request, we can your request for a reduced setback of      feet from the closest property line; however, the Department of Planning and Building must provide the input regarding the setback that is acceptable for this project.

If I can provide additional information or assistance, please call (805) 543-4244.

Sincerely,

cc: