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Silverwood, Inc.
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RE: Detailed soil/site evaluation on ~27-acres adjacent to Bingham Ridge Subdivision in Chatham County.

Dear Mr. Hartford:

Central Carolina Soil Consulting, PLLC conducted a detailed soil evaluation on the parcel listed above to determine the areas of soils that are suitable for subsurface wastewater disposal systems (Conventional & LPP). The soil/site evaluation was performed using hand auger borings based on the criteria found in the State Subsurface Rules, 15ANCAC 18A .1900 "Laws and Rules for Sewage Treatment and Disposal Systems". From this evaluation, CCSC flagged the boundary between the suitable soils and unsuitable soils, then located them utilizing GPS technology.

The above referenced parcel is located in the north central portion of Chatham County. This area lies in the mixed mafic and felsic crystalline geologic unit, where soils have formed from residual parent material such as gneiss, schist and diorites. The soils that have formed on this parcel are similar to the Pacolet, Wedowee, Helena and Worsham soil series. The attached soils map indicates the areas of suitable vs. unsuitable soils. The Pacolet and Wedowee soil series are generally suitable for subsurface wastewater systems. That is, the morphology of the soils contain suitable characteristics that would support subsurface septic systems such as clayey textured subsoils that are not considered expansive, suitable structure and no indicators of restrictive characteristics within 24 inches of the soil surface. The Helena soil series has a combination of expansive clays and a perched water table within 24 inches of the soil surface. The Worsham soils are poorly drained alluvial soils that have formed along the drainage ways and streams of the property. Both the Helena and Chewacla soil types are unsuitable for subsurface wastewater disposal systems (conventional and LPP).

The attached soils map indicates the areas of soils which are suitable for subsurface wastewater systems. The "hatched soil units" on the attached map indicates the areas of soils that have 30+ inches of suitable soil material. These areas have potential for conventional and modified conventional septic systems. The "cross hatched" soil units on the attached map indicate areas of soils that have 24-29 inches of suitable soil material and have potential for LPP or ultra-shallow conventional septic systems. Unit

"UN" on the attached map indicates areas of unsuitable soils that contain restrictive soil characteristics less than 24 inches.

Future Subdivision Considerations

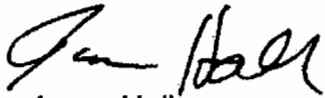
Several factors should be considered before a final subdivision plan is created for this property. One consideration is that each proposed lot shall contain an adequate amount of suitable soils, which can support a primary septic system along with a repair septic system. The suitable soil areas cannot be affected by future homes, driveways, patios, excavation or filling activities and if an on-site well is used then a 100' setback is required around the well head. An exact square footage of suitable soils required per lot to obtain a permit cannot be given due to soil variability and topographic characteristics on each lot. The amount of suitable soils required to support a 4-bedroom residence will range between 12,000 ft² -15,000 ft² (could be more or less) per lot. These soil area estimates are based upon soil application rates for a clayey textured subsoil with a range of 0.27 gallons per day/square foot and 0.33 gallons per day/square foot for conventional type systems and 0.1 to 0.13 gallons per/day/square foot for low pressure pipe septic systems. The ultimate application rate will be assigned by the Chatham County Health Department based on a detailed evaluation on each proposed lot.

During the road construction process of a subdivision it is important not to impact any suitable soil areas with such activities as excavating or filling. Only the actual roadways and required drainage ditches and/or sediment basins should be constructed during this process. If the contractor requires a staging area to place fill from the construction process, then areas of unsuitable soils on the property should be utilized as long as they are not state/county buffers, jurisdictional wetlands or other areas protected by local zoning regulations. If this is not possible, then the disturbed areas should be minimized as much as possible. The same precautions should be taken when the individual lots are cleared for home sites. Only the vegetation should be removed in the areas of the proposed drain fields on lots to prevent any disturbance of the naturally occurring soil. A lot with adequate areas of suitable soils can be deemed unsuitable due to poor planning or site disturbance. Central Carolina Soil Consulting recommends that all lot clearing activities are delayed until a permit is issued by the local health department, with the exception of clearing thick vegetation to access the lot.

This report discusses the location of suitable soils for subsurface wastewater disposal systems and does not guarantee any permits or approval required by the local health department. Central Carolina Soil Consulting, PLLC is a professional consulting firm specializing in soil delineations and design for on-site wastewater disposal systems. The rules governing on-site wastewater disposal systems are complex and the interpretation of the rules are based upon the opinions of regulators (state and county level). Due to the subjective nature of the permitting process and soil/topographic variability, CCSC cannot guarantee that areas delineated as suitable for on-site wastewater disposal systems will be permitted by the governing agencies. These permitting considerations should be taken into account before a financial commitment is made on a tract of land.

If you have any questions regarding the findings on the attached map or in this report, please feel free contact me at anytime. Thank you allowing Central Carolina Soil Consulting to perform this site evaluation for you.

Sincerely,



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Encl: Soil Map