



Los Angeles County  
Department of Regional Planning

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Richard J. Bruckner  
Director

**CERTIFIED-RECEIPT  
REQUESTED**

November 16, 2010

MARVIN AND MANETTE METCALF  
30711 ROMERO CANYON ROAD  
CASTAIC, CA 91384

Dear Marvin and Manette Metcalf:

**SUBJECT: PROJECT NUMBER 02005-(5)  
TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. 26549  
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT NO. 02005  
MAP DATE: July 10, 2002**

Tentative Parcel Map No. 26549 ("PM 26549") was considered by Ms. Pat Hachiya, a Hearing Officer of Los Angeles County, on November 16, 2010.

After considering the evidence presented, the Hearing Officer in her action on November 16, 2010, **denied** PM 26549 in accordance with Section 21.16.060 (Public Hearings) and Section 21.40.110 (Matters Required to Complete Submittal and Filing) of the Los Angeles County Code ("County Code"). A copy of the denial findings is attached.

The decision of the Hearing Officer regarding the tentative parcel map shall become final and effective on the date of the decision provided no appeal of the action taken has been filed with the Los Angeles County Regional Planning Commission within the following time period:

- In accordance with the requirements of the State Map Act and County Code, the tentative parcel map may be appealed within 10 days following the decision of the Hearing Officer. **The appeal period for this project will end at 5:00 p.m. on November 29, 2010.**

The applicant or any other interested person may appeal the decision of the Hearing Officer regarding the project to the Regional Planning Commission. **If you wish to appeal the decision of the Hearing Officer to the Regional Planning Commission, you must do so in writing and pay the appropriate fee.** The appeal form is available on the Department of Regional Planning website (<http://planning.lacounty.gov>). The fee for appeal process is \$5,552.00 for the applicant and \$689.00 for non-applicant(s).

To initiate the appeal, submit your appeal letter and a check made payable to the "County of Los Angeles" to Commission Services, Room 1350, 320 West Temple Street. Los Angeles, California, 90012. Please be advised that your appeal will be rejected if the check is not submitted with the letter.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Ramon Cordova of the Land Divisions Section of the Department of Regional Planning at (213) 974-6433 between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Our offices are closed Fridays.

Sincerely,

DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING  
Richard J. Bruckner  
Director

*Alejandra C. Baldwin*  
FOR  
Susan Tae, AICP, Supervising Regional Planner  
Land Divisions Section

ACB:rec

Enclosures: Findings

c: Subdivision Committee  
Hunsaker & Associates

**FINDINGS OF THE HEARING OFFICER  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
PROJECT NO. 02-005-(5)  
TENTATIVE PARCEL MAP NO. 26549**

1. The Hearing Officer of Los Angeles County, Ms. Pat Hachiya, considered Tentative Parcel Map No. 26549 ("PM 26549") on November 16, 2010.
2. PM 26549 is a proposal to create two single-family parcels on 18.0 acres. The subject site is located at 30711 Romero Canyon Road, Castaic, within the Castaic Canyon Zoned District.
3. The project was filed on January 8, 2002. The Los Angeles County Subdivision Committee ("Subdivision Committee") last met on August 19, 2002 to discuss the project. Several holds were placed on the project, including a request for a revised tentative map depicting proof of legal access. The requested materials were never submitted and no activity has occurred on the project since that time. The last time extension for this project was granted by the Director of the Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning ("Regional Planning") on November 13, 2006.
4. Since the applicant failed to provide the requested information and/or materials, there is insufficient information to determine the feasibility of the project design, general plan consistency or whether approval of the map would be in the public interest, pursuant to Section 21.40.160 (Advisory Agency Determination Authority) of the Los Angeles County Code ("County Code"). Because of this, the Subdivision Committee is unable to recommend a final action to the Advisory Agency.
5. Staff sent a letter to the applicant dated August 16, 2010 informing the applicant that pursuant to Section 21.16.060 (Public Hearings) and Section 21.40.110 (Matters Required to Complete Submittal and Filing) of the County Code, the case would be scheduled before a Hearing Officer for denial due to inactivity on November 16, 2010.
6. The August 16, 2010 letter also directed the applicant to contact Regional Planning staff within 30 days for the project to remain active, the applicant was also required to provide a revision to the tentative map and/or other requested information within 90 days of the date of the August 16, 2010 letter.
7. The applicant or engineer did not contact staff within the given time frame which was by September 16, 2010 (or submit the requested materials which was by November 16, 2010).

8. Staff contacted the engineer on November 10, 2010 to discuss the proposed denial due to inactivity. The engineer agreed with the proposed denial and stated that the applicant no longer had the desire to proceed with the proposed subdivision.
9. During the November 16, 2010 Hearing Officer public meeting, staff made a brief presentation summarizing the process for denial of a project due to inactivity.
10. During the November 16, 2010 Hearing Officer public meeting, the project applicant was not present. There were no testifiers in support of or in opposition to the project.
11. During the November 16, 2010 Hearing Officer public meeting, the Hearing Officer denied Tentative Parcel Map No. 26549 due to inactivity.

**THEREFORE, in view of the findings of fact presented above, Tentative Parcel Map No. 26549 is DENIED.**