

BOLINAS COMMUNITY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

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VIA E-MAIL: raj.sanghera@usps.gov

Raj Sanghera
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Re: Bolinas Post Office (California).

Dear Ms. Sanghera:

On behalf of the Bolinas Community Public Utility District (“BCPUD”), I am writing to thank the United States Postal Service (“USPS”) for its unwavering commitment to restore the Bolinas Post Office to Bolinas on a permanent basis as soon as possible. Our small rural community relies on this post office for critical services including, but not limited to, delivery of time-sensitive medications, paychecks and important legal documents, and our local businesses, government offices and non-profits similarly are dependent on timely and efficient access to mail delivery and postal services. Our district stands ready to facilitate the return of the Bolinas Post Office to a permanent location at the earliest opportunity. However, as it is clear that the reestablishment of a permanent Bolinas Post Office will be a multi-year process, it is essential that we urgently address the need for an Interim Post Office in Bolinas. As a community, we are fully dedicated to making this a reality as soon as possible. We greatly appreciate your willingness to consider a revised proposal for an Interim Post Office in Bolinas at Mesa Park.

As you know, our district and a local committee of informed community members have been actively engaged with regional USPS personnel in the development of a proposal for an Interim Bolinas Post Office to be located at the large BCPUD-owned parking lot at 100 Mesa Road, Bolinas (the “Mesa Park Interim Bolinas Post Office”). This proposal involves the installation of professional mobile office units that meet USPS specifications, as well as state and federal building codes. This proposal is widely supported by the local community and all costs of standing it up will be paid for by private donations (with the exception of the internal build-out, which was agreed to by the USPS). This plan for the Mesa Park Interim Bolinas Post Office was co-developed with and approved by regional USPS personnel; the County of Marin has committed to expeditiously permitting it so that the appropriate mobile trailers can be installed and opened for business as soon as possible.

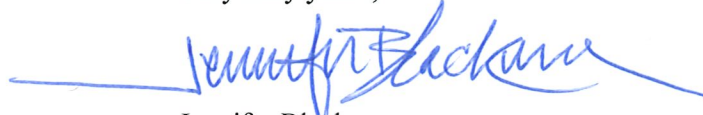
It is our understanding that the USPS recently determined that the 1,440 square foot size of the proposed mobile trailers does not provide adequate space for its operations. However, we were advised yesterday by Congressman Jared Huffman’s office that the USPS is willing to consider a revised proposal for the Mesa Park Interim Post Office that meets the USPS’s expanded space needs and functional requirements. We are very grateful to the USPS for its willingness to consider a revised proposal and we will work to present one as soon as possible. We currently are revising the prior proposal to meet the updated space requirements. **To ensure this revised plan is fully aligned with USPS functional requirements, we request a meeting**

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with the regional USPS personnel with whom we have been working (Dean Cameron and Amit Bhatia, as well as Andy Chen with Tectonics), our district and our local committee of volunteer community members. We are poised to work expeditiously with the USPS team to revise the Mesa Park Interim Bolinas Post Office proposal to meet the updated USPS square footage and operational requirements, which we learned of yesterday.

Thank you very much for your consideration of our request and for your on-going commitment to securing a permanent location for the Bolinas Post Office in Bolinas. Please contact me with any questions or if you need more information.

Very truly yours,



Jennifer Blackman
General Manager

cc: Congressman Jared Huffman
Supervisor Dennis Rodoni