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## **RESOURCE CONCEPTS, INC.**

May 2, 2007

**Hand Delivered**

Commissioner Larry Prater  
Storey County Planning Commission  
110 Toll Road – Gold Hill divide  
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Virginia City, Nevada 89440

Dear Commissioner Prater:

In response to your memo to Blake Smith, dated 4-23-07, the following is to notify you that Resource Concepts, Inc. (RCI) has been retained by Virginia Highlands LLC to prepare an estray horse management plan supporting the submitted application for the proposed Cordevista Project. As directed by our client, RCI has been authorized to work with County staff, the Nevada Department of Agriculture, and interested area residents to develop a workable and realistic plan to accommodate the current horse use that occurs in the general area of this PUD. Upon County approval of the requested Master Plan amendment, and the land planning and PUD process begins, RCI will initiate contact and coordination with each of the government agencies and citizens groups.

Established in 1978, and specializing in the ecology, management and administration of arid land and resources located in Nevada and the Great Basin, RCI is uniquely positioned and qualified, in terms of experience and expertise, to successfully address the natural resource issues in a sustainable and practical manner. This expertise and experience extends to the management of free-roaming horses in developing rural environment and the development and application of appropriate mitigation. RCI is very familiar with the state statutes, county ordinances and agency programs that govern the management of the Virginia Range estray horse herd.

Thank you for your consideration of this notification. We look forward to the opportunity of working with you, your staff and residents of Storey County in this interesting project. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions concerning this notification or initiation of this project.

Sincerely,

John L. McLain  
Principal Resource Specialist

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cc: G. Blake Smith, Virginia Highlands LLC

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