



MINNESOTA LAND TRUST

October 30, 2014

Mike Delkoski, HOA President
The Homestead Homeowners Association
11126 14th Street North
Lake Elmo, MN 55042

RE: The Homestead (Steeplechase LLC)
Washington County
Project File ID#: 1997-71
Approval of Concept Master Plan (Outlots B & C)

Dear Mr. Delkoski,

Stephen Mastey, of Landscape Architecture Incorporated, has submitted for our approval a concept Master Plan (the "Concept Plan"), for Outlots B and C of The Homestead property, which is protected by a conservation easement held by the Minnesota Land Trust and the City of Lake Elmo. It is the intent of this conservation easement to permanently protect the natural, ecological, and scenic qualities and open space character of the property. Management of the property in accordance with a professionally designed management plan is allowed under the intent of the conservation easement.

The Concept Plan identifies six primary plant communities, plus a pond, to be restored on the property, including prairie, oak grove, aspen thicket, pine stands, sedge meadow, and lowland forest. The areas where you plan to establish these plant communities and pond are set out on the attached map. We understand that the management goals and timing are funding dependent.

After reviewing the Concept Plan, the Land Trust finds it to be consistent with the intent of the conservation easement. As soon as you are able to further develop and finalize the Plan, please provide that to us. We look forward to further review and approval of the final plan. We are pleased with your commitment to applying high quality stewardship practices to your land.

Sincerely,


Kris Larson
Executive Director

cc: Kyle Klatt, City of Lake Elmo
Stephen Mastey, Landscape Architecture Inc.