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NOTE: The Marin County Development Code contains standards for the uses listed below (Sections 22.32.020 through 22.32.200). However, only those standards that are unique to the Coastal Zone or were otherwise modified as part of the LCP Development Code Amendment process are included in this document (highlighted). Following formal adoption of the Development Code Amendments, these sections will be incorporated into Chapter 22.32 and will become part of the countywide Development Code.

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22.32.021 – Agricultural Accessory Activities

The standards of this Section shall apply to agricultural accessory activities defined in Section 22.130.030.

(Coastal) In the C-APZ, C-ARP and C-OA zones agricultural accessory activities shall be accessory and incidental to, in support of, and compatible with agricultural production, and may be allowed as a Principal Permitted Use, or where applicable under Chapter 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements), may be exempt from coastal permit requirements.

22.32.022 – Agricultural Accessory Structures

The standards of this Section shall apply to agricultural accessory structures defined in Section 22.130.030.

(Coastal) In the C-APZ, C-ARP and C-OA zones agricultural accessory structures shall be accessory and incidental to, in support of, and compatible with agricultural production, and may be allowed as a Principal Permitted Use, or where applicable under Chapter 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements), may be exempt from coastal permit requirements.

22.32.023 – Agricultural Homestays (Coastal)

(Coastal) Agricultural Homestays are subject to the requirements of this Section. The intent of these provisions is to ensure that the Homestay is accessory and incidental to, in support of, and compatible with the property's agricultural production.

- A. Permit requirements.** Agricultural Homestays are allowable in the zoning districts and with the permit requirements determined by Article V (Coastal Zones—Permit Requirements and Development Standards).
- B. Land Use Requirements.** An Agricultural Homestay:
1. Shall have no more than five guest rooms and host no more than 15 registered guests,
 2. Provides overnight transient accommodations.
 3. Shall offer meals only to overnight guests as an incidental, and not as the primary, function of the establishment, and
 4. Is located on, and is part of, a farm, as defined in Section 52262 of the Food and Agriculture Code, that produces agricultural products as its primary source of income.
- C. Site requirements.** Except for minimum lot size requirements, the proposed site shall conform to all standards of the applicable zoning district.
- D. Appearance.** The exterior appearance of the structure used for the Agricultural Homestay shall maintain a rural character consistent with farm buildings on the property.
- E. Limitation on services provided.** The services provided guests by the Agricultural Homestay shall be limited to the rental of bedrooms and the provision of meals at any time to registered

guests. The price of food shall be included in the overnight transient occupancy accommodation. There shall be no separate/additional food preparation facilities for guests. Homestay guests may also participate in agricultural activities at the discretion of the homestay operator.

- F. Business license required.** A current business license shall be obtained/posted, in compliance with Title 5, Chapter 5.54 (Business Licenses) of the County Code.
- G. Occupancy by permanent resident required.** All Agricultural Homestays shall have one household in permanent residence.
- H. Transient Occupancy Tax.** Agricultural Homestays shall be subject to the Transient Occupancy Tax, in compliance with Chapter 3.05 (Uniform Transient Occupancy Tax) of the County Code.
- I. Signs.** Signs shall be limited to one on-site sign not to exceed four square feet in area and shall be installed/maintained in compliance with Chapter 22.28 (Signs).
- J. Fire safety.** The Agricultural Homestay shall meet all of the requirements of the County Fire Department or local Fire Protection District, as applicable.
- K. Parking.** On-site parking shall be provided in compliance with 24.04.330 through .400 (Parking and Loading) of the County Code.
- L. Sewage disposal.** Any on-site sewage disposal shall be provided in compliance with Title 18 (Sewers) of the County Code.

22.32.024 – Agricultural Intergenerational Homes (Coastal)

(Coastal) Intergenerational Housing in the Coastal Zone is subject to the requirements of this Section. The intent of these provisions is to allow intergenerational housing units in order to support agricultural operations, ensure the viability of agriculture in the Coastal Zone and facilitate multi-generational family farm operation and succession. Intergenerational housing is considered a component of the agricultural activities of the property.

- A. Permitted use, zoning districts.** Up to two intergenerational homes in addition to the Farmhouse may be permitted in the C-APZ for members of the farm operator's or owner's immediate family. An equivalent density of 60 acres per unit shall be required for each home, including any existing homes.
- B. Limitations on use.** Intergenerational homes shall not be subdivided or sold separately from the primary agricultural legal lot. Occupants must be members of the farm operator or owner's immediate family. Occupants shall not be required to be actively and directly engaged in the agricultural use of land.
- C. Permit Requirements.** Agricultural intergenerational homes are allowable in the zoning districts and with the permit requirements determined by Article V (Coastal Zones—Permit Requirements and Development Standards).
- D. One Intergenerational Home:** One intergenerational home on a qualifying lot is a principal permitted use in the C-APZ.

- E. Second Intergenerational Home:** A second intergenerational home occupying a lot is a conditional use, subject to Use Permit approval in compliance with Chapter 22.48 (Use Permits) Intergenerational homes shall not be subject to the requirements for a Master Plan, Agricultural Production and Stewardship Plan, or permanent agricultural conservation easement.
- F. Restrictive Covenant.** Intergenerational housing requires the preparation and dedication of a restrictive covenant running with the land for the benefit of the County ensuring that intergenerational housing will continuously be occupied by the owner or operator’s immediate family. The covenant must include, at a minimum, the following:
1. A detailed description of the intergenerational home or homes.
 2. Assurance that any change in use will be in conformance with applicable zoning, building and other ordinances and noting that all appropriate permits must be issued and completed prior to any change in use.

22.32.025 – Farmhouse (Coastal)

(Coastal) The standards of this Section shall apply to farmhouses. The intent of these provisions is to facilitate farmhouses that are integral with and necessary to support agricultural operations and that are consistent with the provisions of the Marin County Local Coastal Program (LCP).

- A. Principal permitted use, zoning districts.** A farmhouse shall be considered a principal permitted agricultural land use where allowed by Article V, Table 5-1 (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards).
- B. Limitations.** A farmhouse consists of a building designed for and/or occupied by one family, which includes the farm operator. The farm operator is the property owner or lessee who makes day to day management decisions for the agricultural operation and is directly engaged in the production of agricultural commodities for commercial purposes on the property. Such buildings may include factory-built, modular housing units, constructed in compliance with the Uniform Building Code (UBC), and mobile homes/manufactured housing on permanent foundations.

22.32.026 – Agricultural Processing Uses

The standards of this Section shall apply to agricultural processing defined in Section 22.130.030.

For areas outside the C-APZ and C-ARP Zoning Districts, the provisions of section 22.08.040.E shall apply.

(Coastal) In Coastal agricultural Zoning Districts C-APZ and C-ARP agricultural processing is allowed as a Principal Permitted Use provided it meets the following standards:

A. Limitations on use:

1. Processing of agricultural product is a Principal Permitted Use only if conducted in a facility not exceeding 5,000 square feet that is located at least 300 feet from any street or

separate-ownership property line (and not within an Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area [ESHA]).

2. To qualify as a Principal Permitted Use, the agricultural product that is processed must be grown principally in Marin County or at a site outside Marin County that is operated by the operator of the processing facility (“principally” shall mean at least 75% by dollar volume of the processor’s sales of the processed product). The operator of the processing facility must be directly involved in the agricultural production on the property on which the production facility is located.
3. “Agricultural product that is processed” does not apply to additives or ingredients that are incidental to the processing.
4. A Conditional Use Permit shall be required if the processing facility is open routinely to public visitation or if public tours are conducted of the processing facility more than 24 times per year.
5. Under these criteria, up to 25% by dollar sales volume of the agricultural product that is processed could be grown outside Marin County (on sites not operated by the operator of the processing facility).
6. Any agricultural processing in a C-ARP zoning district is a Conditional Use requiring a Use Permit.

B. Coastal Permit and Design Review for a processing facility.

1. Any processing facility, regardless of size, shall require a Coastal Permit..
2. Any processing facility shall require Design Review, unless it satisfies all the following conditions:
 - (a) It qualifies as a Principal Permitted Use;
 - (b) It will be developed and operated wholly within an existing permitted, legal nonconforming, or categorically excluded structure; and
 - (c) Its development will not include any significant alteration of the exterior appearance of the existing structure.

22.32.027 – Agricultural Retail Sales and Facilities (Coastal)

(Coastal) The standards of this Section shall apply to the sale of agricultural products. “Sale of Agricultural Products” is defined in Section 22.130.030.

A. Limitations on use:

For Agricultural and Resource-Related Districts outside the Coastal Zone, see section 22.08.040.F

(Coastal) In Coastal agricultural Zoning Districts C-APZ and C-ARP, retail sales are allowed as a Principal Permitted Use provided they meet the following standards:

1. Retail sales must be conducted:
 - (a) Without a structure (e.g. using a card table, umbrella, tailgate, etc.); or

- (b) From a structure or part of a structure that does not exceed 500 square feet in size and does not exceed 15 feet in height.
- 2. Items sold must be principally unprocessed produce grown in Marin County or at a site outside Marin County that is operated by the operator of the sales facility. For purposes of this section, “principally” shall mean at least 75% by dollar volume of sales. The operator of the sales facility must be directly involved in the agricultural production on the property on which the sales facility is located.
- 3. Sales of consigned produce grown in Marin County (or grown at a site outside of Marin County that is operated by a consignor whose principal agricultural activities are within Marin County) shall be allowed as part of the principal permitted use, provided that all produce being sold satisfies the criteria for the principal permitted use findings.
- 4. A Use Permit is required for picnic or recreational facilities. A Use Permit is also required for on-site consumption other than informal tastings at no charge of product offered for sale.
- 5. Sufficient parking is provided.

B. Design Review for a structure used as a sales facility.

- 1. Design Review shall be required for any structure proposed to be used for retail sales except as provided below.
 - a. A sales structure that is within 300 feet of a street or a separate-ownership property line, does not exceed 500 square feet in size, and does not exceed 15 feet in height shall be exempt from Design Review or eligible for Minor Design Review if either (1) the structure has no foundation (and is exempt from building permit), or (2) at least three of the structure’s walls are each no more than 50% solid (including sides with no walls).
 - b. A sales structure that does not exceed 500 square feet in size, does not exceed 15 feet in height, and is more than 300 feet from any street or separate-ownership property line shall be exempt from Design Review.

C. Retail sales within a processing facility.

- 1. Retail sale of agricultural products at an approved processing facility is a Principal Permitted Use when either (a) such sales are incidental to tours that are not subject to the requirement for a use permit, or (b) such sales are conducted wholly within an approved agricultural processing facility and the following are all applicable:
 - (a) The retail sales are principally of product that has been processed at the facility or that originated on site (where “principally” shall mean at least 75% by dollar volume of sales);
 - (b) The retail sales activity is incidental to the primary processing activity and occupies no more than 20% of the total size of the facility;
 - (c) A use permit for public visitation or tours of the processing facility has been issued.

- (d) Up to 100% of the retail sales in such a facility may be of processed product.
- (e) Tastings of the processed product will be allowed within such a sales facility.
- (f) Such a sales facility that is proposed to be added within an existing processing facility without physical expansion of the existing facility or significant alteration of the exterior appearance of the existing facility shall be exempt from Design Review.

22.32.028 – Agricultural Worker Housing (Coastal)

The standards of this Section shall apply to agricultural worker housing. The intent of these provisions is to permit and encourage the development and use of sufficient numbers and types of agricultural worker housing units as are commensurate with local need to support agricultural operations and in conformance with the applicable provisions of state law.

A. Permitted use, zoning districts. Agricultural worker housing providing accommodations consisting of no more than 36 beds in group living quarters or 12 units or spaces for agricultural workers and their households shall be considered a principal permitted agricultural land use and shall not be included in the calculation of residential density in the following zoning districts: C-ARP, C-APZ, C-RA , and C-OA.

B. Limitations on use:

1. **Referrals.** Prior to making a determination that agricultural worker housing which exceeds the maximum density for a specific site is necessary to support agriculture, the review authority may consult with such individuals or groups with agricultural expertise as appropriate for a recommendation.
2. **Temporary mobile home.** Any temporary mobile home not on a permanent foundation and used as living quarters for more than five farmworkers and their households is permitted subject to the requirements of the State Department of Housing and Community Development.
3. **Annual Verification.** All agricultural worker housing shall require the submittal of an annual verification form to the County.
4. **Licensing.** Licensing by the Department of Housing and Community Development and compliance with the Employee Housing Act is required for all Agricultural Worker Housing for five or more employees and their households.
5. **Restrictive Covenant.** Agricultural Worker housing requires recording a restrictive covenant running with the land for the benefit of the County ensuring that farmworker housing will continuously be maintained as such. The covenant must include, at a minimum, the following:
 - (a) A detailed description of the dwelling units or spaces.
 - (b) Assurance that any change in use will be in conformance with applicable zoning, building and other ordinances and noting that all appropriate permits must be issued and completed prior to any change in use.

- (c) Terms or conditions, if any, under which the deed may be modified or removed.
- (d) Language demonstrating that the restriction shall run with the land and shall be binding on all heirs, successors and assigns to the Property and its provisions enforced by the County of Marin.

22.32.062 – Educational Tours (Coastal)

(Coastal) Limitations on use. As defined in Section 22.130.030, educational tours are interactive excursions for groups and organizations for the purpose of informing them of the unique aspects of a property, including agricultural operations and environmental resources. In the C-APZ and C-ARP zoning districts educational tours operated by non-profit organizations or the owner/operator of the agricultural operation are a principal permitted use; those operated for commercial profit require a Use Permit.

22.32.105 – Mariculture (Coastal)

This Section applies to the culture and husbandry of aquatic organisms including shellfish, mollusks, crustaceans, kelp, and algae.

- A. Support Mariculture.** As applicable, the coastal permitting authority shall support and encourage mariculture in the Coastal Zone for the purposes of producing food, enhancing and restoring fisheries stocks, and contributing to the economy of the state and Marin County, while providing for other uses, such as commercial fishing, recreational clamming and boating, and the protection of coastal wildlife, water quality, and visual resources. Support provision of onshore facilities necessary to support mariculture operations in coastal waters.
- B. Mariculture in Parks.** Existing maricultural operations in the parks are encouraged in a manner compatible with natural resource protection and should be permitted to continue. Additional mariculture activities should be considered, provided that they are compatible with other park uses, and do not conflict with public access, recreation, the protection of natural and visual resources, water quality, or National Park Service policies concerning commercial development. New mariculture activities should be subject to permit review by the Coastal Commission.
- C. Apply General Standards to Mariculture Operations.** The coastal permitting authority (Coastal Commission and/or Marin County) shall apply the following standards and procedures to all mariculture operations:
 - 1. Protection of eelgrass beds.** The siting of oyster allotments, mariculture leases, and mariculture structures should avoid interference or damage to eelgrass beds in Tomales Bay, in conformance with Section 30.10, Title 14, California Code of Regulations.
 - 2. Operator access.** Public agencies should be encouraged to consider operator access to mariculture leaseholds.
 - 3. Shoreline access.** Mariculture operations and onshore support facilities shall incorporate provisions for public access to and along the shoreline unless such access would interfere with mariculture and the impacts from access cannot be mitigated to less than significant levels. In evaluating coastal permits for mariculture, the County shall consider the location

of existing accessways and potential conflicts between mariculture and public use of the shoreline.

4. **Boating access.** The placement of structures within new or existing allotments and leases shall not interfere with public boating access at high tide to state lands within the leased areas. If boat passages are proposed, they shall be spaced at a minimum of one passage per 1/2 mile of shoreline.
5. **Onshore support facilities.** Applicants for a coastal permit shall specify what access points and onshore support facilities (e.g. boat launch, loading dock, etc.) are required for the proposed mariculture operation, where such facilities will be located, and the timing of use. If private lands will be used for access or support facilities, the applicant shall submit a written statement from the property owner(s) agreeing to such use. If public lands will be used for access or support facilities, the applicant shall arrange a lease with the appropriate public agency specifying the type, location, and timing of use which is acceptable.
6. **Visual impacts.** Mariculture structures shall be sited and designed to minimize visual impacts, especially in areas which are highly visible from public roads, parks, or other public viewing areas.

22.32.115 – Determination of Non-Agricultural Uses

This Section applies only in those instances where Table 2-1 or Table 5-1 expressly refers to this Section. The purpose of applying the following standards is to determine whether a specific non-agricultural land use is accessory and incidental to the primary use of land for agricultural production. The intent of these provisions is to ensure that non-agricultural uses do not become the primary use of agricultural land to the detriment of agricultural production.

A. Permitted use, zoning districts. Non-agricultural uses may be allowed as a principal permitted land use in the following zoning districts: A2, A3 to A60, ARP, and O-A, and as allowed by Articles II (Zoning Districts and Allowable Land Uses) and V (Coastal Zones - Permit Requirements and Development Standards) subject to the requirements of this section. This Section does not apply to the following zoning districts: ARP-1 to ARP-5, C-ARP, C-APZ, and C-OA.

B. Limitations on use:

1. **Accessory Use.** In the aggregate, identified non-agricultural uses shall be accessory and incidental to the primary use of the property for agricultural production. The following factors shall be considered in determining whether a property is used primarily for agricultural production:
 - (a) The primary use of the property is consistent with the definition of agriculture; and
 - (b) The agricultural products produced on site are sold commercially.
2. **Referrals.** In determining whether a non-agricultural use is accessory and incidental to the primary use of the property for agricultural production, the review authority may refer such a question to such individuals or groups with agricultural expertise as appropriate for a recommendation prior to making a determination. When determining whether a property is primarily used for agricultural production, the review authority may consider the

following:

- (a) Whether the areal extent of land dedicated to agriculture is sufficient to support agricultural production; and
- (b) Whether the agricultural producer can demonstrate that agricultural products are sold commercially; and
- (c) Whether the use intensity and income generation of the agricultural land is consistent with similar agricultural activities in the County and state.

22.32.161 – Solar Energy Systems (Coastal)

The installation of any solar energy system, as defined in Section 22.130.030, must be sited and designed to be consistent with all required setbacks and height limits of the specific zoning district in which it is proposed. In addition, ground area coverage of the system shall have no significant impacts on environmental quality or wildlife habitats, and shall meet all other applicable policies and standards of the LCP.

A. Roof-Mounted Solar Energy System:

- i. Allowed as a Principal Permitted Use in all coastal zoning districts.
- ii. Exempt from the Coastal Permit requirement, consistent with Section 22.68.050.
- iii. May exceed the required height limit of the zoning district in which the project is proposed by no more than two feet. If any part of the solar energy system structure exceeds the required height limit by greater than two feet, then Design Review shall be required for approval.

B. Free-Standing Energy System:

- i. Allowed as a Permitted Use in all coastal zoning districts.
- ii. Exempt from the minimum setback requirements of the zoning district in which the project is proposed if the structure does not exceed a height of eighteen inches above grade at any point.

22.32.190 – Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS) (Coastal)

This Section establishes permit requirements for coastal planned district and coastal conventional district zones and standards for the development and operation of Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS) in compliance with Marin County policies and state and federal laws and allows and encourages the safe, effective, and efficient use of WECS in order to reduce consumption of electricity from non-renewable sources.

- A. Permit requirements.** Small Roof-Mounted Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS) are allowed in all coastal zoning districts, subject to the following general requirements. Small and Medium Freestanding WECS are allowed only in coastal agricultural zoning districts (C-ARP, C-APZ), subject to the following general requirements. Large WECS are prohibited in all coastal zoning districts.

1. Coastal Zoning Districts.

a. Small Roof-Mounted WECS.

- i. Allowed as a Principal Permitted Use in all coastal zoning districts;

- ii. Exempt from the Coastal Permit requirement, consistent with Section 22.68.050; and
- iii. Subject to development standards in Sections 22.32.190.B.1, B.2, and B.4.

b. Small Freestanding WECS.

- i. Allowed as a Permitted Use only in coastal agricultural zoning districts (C-ARP, C-APZ); and
- ii. Subject to development standards in Section 22.32.190.B.2 and Section 22.32.190.B.4.

c. Medium Freestanding WECS (coastal).

- i. Allowed as a Permitted Use only in coastal agricultural zoning districts (C-ARP, C-APZ) in the Coastal, Wind Energy “-WE” Combining District; and
- ii. Subject to development standards in Section 22.32.190.B.3 and Section 22.32.190.B.4.

d. Large Freestanding WECS (coastal).

- i. Prohibited in all coastal zoning districts.

2. **Summary of Permit Requirements.** Small Roof-Mounted WECS shall require a Building Permit approval in all coastal zoning districts. Small Freestanding WECS, and Medium WECS (coastal) shall require a Coastal Permit and Building Permit approval, where allowed in coastal agricultural zoning districts (C-ARP, C-APZ).
3. **Time limits.** The approval for any WECS (coastal) shall be for an indefinite period, except that an approval shall lapse if the WECS becomes inoperative or abandoned for a period of more than one year.
4. **Applicability.** In addition to the provisions of Section 22.32.190, all other applicable provisions of this Development Code shall apply to a new WECS (coastal) land use. In the event there is any conflict between the provisions of this section and any other provision of this Development code, the more restrictive provision shall apply.
5. **Wind Testing Facilities.** For the purpose of Section 22.32.190, wind testing facilities are those facilities or structures which have been temporarily installed to measure wind speed and directions and to collect other data relevant to siting WECS. Installations of temporary (up to one year) wind testing facilities shall be considered pursuant to Section 22.32.200.

B. Development standards.

1. **Small Roof-Mounted WECS.** A Building Permit for a Small Roof-Mounted WECS located on a parcel pursuant to this Section shall be issued by the Agency Director upon submission of a Building Permit application containing the information specified in applicable sections of this Development Code and a determination by the Agency Director that the proposed use and development meets the development standards in Section 22.32.190.B.4 Table 3-10, Section 22.32.190.F, and Sections 22.32.190.G.1, G.2, G.5, G.6, G.7, and G.9.a. Before issuance of a building permit, the County shall record a notice of decision against the title of the property stipulating that the WECS must be dismantled and removed from the premises if it has been inoperative or abandoned for a period of more than one year.

2. **Small Freestanding WECS.** Small Freestanding WECS shall be subject to the development standards in Section 22.32.190.B.4, Table 3-10 and shall comply with the development standards and requirements contained in Section 22.32.190.C through 22.32.190.H.
3. **Medium Freestanding WECS (coastal).** Medium Freestanding WECS (coastal) shall be subject to the development standards in Section 22.32.190.B.4, Table 3-10 and shall comply with the development standards and requirements contained in Section 22.32.190.C through Section 22.32.190.H.

4. Summary of Development Standards.

**TABLE 3-10
WECS (Coastal) Development Standards**

	Small		Medium (coastal)
	Roof-Mounted	Freestanding	Freestanding
Total Height	≤10 feet (above roof line)	≤ 40 feet	>40 - ≤100 feet (above grade) ¹
Min. Height of Lowest Position of Blade Above Grade	Not Applicable	15 feet	15 feet
Max. Rotor Blade Radius (HAWT)/ Max. Rotor Blade Diameter (VAWT)	7.5 feet/5 feet	0.5 x tower height/5 feet	0.5 x tower height
Min. Setback from Tip of Blade to Property Line²	0.5 x total height	0.5 x total height	1 x total height
Max. Units/Parcel	1	1	2
Min. Unit Separation	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	1 x tower height
Min. Setback from Habitable Structures²	Not Applicable	1 x total height	1 x total height
Min. Setback from Prominent Ridgeline²	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Minimum of 300 feet horizontally or 100 feet vertically

¹ Medium Freestanding WECS (coastal) are only allowed in the Coastal, Wind Energy “-WE” Combining District, where WECS projects are allowed up to a maximum total height of 100 feet above grade (see Sections 22.62.090 and 22.64.045).

² Exceptions to standards other than height limits in Table 3-10 shall be considered through the Design Review process pursuant to Chapter 22.42 and the Coastal Permit process pursuant to Chapters 22.68 and 22.70.

C. Public notice. Where required, a Notice of the required application(s) shall be provided in compliance with Section 22.70.050 (Public Notice).

Notice of a discretionary permit application for any WECS within five miles of federal, state, or regional park property shall be provided to the superintendent of the appropriate park.

D. Site and design requirements:

1. General standards. No Small WECS or Medium WECS (coastal) or supporting infrastructure shall be allowed:

- a. Within five times the total height or 300 feet, whichever is greater, of a known nest or roost of a listed state or federal threatened or endangered species or California Department of Fish and Game designated bird or bat ‘species of special concern’ or ‘Fully Protected species’ (unless siting of the WECS preceded nest or roost establishment) based on the findings and conclusions of the required Bird and Bat Study as defined in Section 22.32.190.G.9.

- b. Within five times the total height or 300 feet, whichever is greater, of a known or suspected avian migratory concentration point based on the findings and conclusions of the required Bird and Bat Study as defined in Section 22.32.190.G.9.
- c. Within 1.5 times the total height or 100 feet, whichever is greater, of an environmentally sensitive habitat area (ESHA); a state or federal listed special status species habitat area; a designated archaeological or historical site; or a water course, wetland, pond, lake, bayfront area habitat island, or other significant water body with suitable avian habitat based on the findings and conclusions of a Bird and Bat Study as defined in Section 22.32.190.G.9.
- d. Where prohibited by any of the following:
 - 1. The Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Act.
 - 2. The terms of any conservation easement or Williamson Act contract.
 - 3. The listing of the proposed site in the National Register of Historic Places or the California Register of Historical Resources.

E. Appearance and visibility:

In addition to any conditions which may be required by Coastal Permit approvals, Small WECS and Medium WECS (coastal) shall comply with the following design standards:

- 1. WECS that exceed 40 feet in total height shall be located downslope a minimum of 300 feet horizontally or 100 feet vertically, whichever is more restrictive, from a visually prominent ridgeline, unless it can be demonstrated through submittal of a County accepted Wind Measurement Study that no other suitable locations are available on the site. If this is the case, then the Wind Measurement Study will be one amongst all other standards that would be evaluated in considering whether and where the WECS application should be approved within the ridge setbacks.
- 2. WECS shall be designed and located to minimize adverse visual impacts from public viewing areas such as highways, roads, beaches, parks, coastal trails and accessways, vista points, and coastal streams and waters used for recreational purposes.”
- 3. No wind turbine, tower, or other component associated with a WECS may be used to advertise or promote any product or service. Brand names or advertising associated with any WECS installation shall not be visible from offsite locations. Only appropriate signs warning of the WECS installation are allowed.
- 4. Colors and surface treatments, materials and finishes of the WECS and supporting structures shall minimize visual disruption. Exterior materials, surfaces, and finishes shall be non-reflective to reduce visual impacts.
- 5. Exterior lighting on any WECS or associated structure shall not be allowed except that which is specifically required in accordance with Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations. Wind tower and turbine lighting must comply with FAA requirements and be at the lowest intensity level allowed.

6. WECS shall be located in a manner which minimizes their visibility from any existing federal parklands.
 7. All new electrical wires and transmission lines associated with WECS shall be placed underground except for connection points to a public utility company infrastructure. This standard may be modified by the Director if the project area is determined to be unsuitable for undergrounding of infrastructure due to reasons of excessive grading, biological impacts, or similar factors.
 8. Construction of on-site access routes, staging areas, excavation, and grading shall be minimized. Excluding the permanent access roadway, areas disturbed due to construction shall be re-graded and re-vegetated to as natural a condition as soon as feasible after completion of installation.
 9. All permanent WECS related equipment shall be weather-proof and tamper-proof.
 10. If a climbing apparatus is present on a WECS tower, access control to the tower shall be provided by one of the following means:
 - a. Tower-climbing apparatus located no closer than 12 feet from the ground;
 - b. A locked anti-climb device installed on the tower; or
 - c. A locked, protective fence at least six feet in height that encloses the tower.
 11. WECS shall be equipped with manual and automatic over-speed controls. The conformance of rotor and over-speed control design and fabrication with good engineering practices shall be certified by the manufacturer.
 12. Latticed towers shall be designed to prevent birds from perching or nesting on the tower.
 13. The use of guy wires shall be avoided whenever feasible. If guy wires are necessary, they shall be marked with bird deterrent devices as recommended by the US Fish and Wildlife Service or the California Department of Fish and Game.
- F. Noise.** Small WECS and Medium WECS (coastal) shall not result in a total noise level that exceeds 50 dBA during the daytime (7:00 AM to 10:00 PM) and 45 dBA during the nighttime (10:00 PM to 7:00 AM) as measured at any point along the common property lines of adjacent properties except during short-term events such as utility outages, severe weather events, and construction or maintenance operations, per specifications provided by the manufacturer.
- G. Application submittal requirements.** Small WECS and Medium WECS (coastal) permit applications shall include, but may not be limited to, the following information:
1. Plot Plan. A plot plan of the proposed development drawn to scale showing:
 - a. Acreage and boundaries of the property;
 - b. Location, dimensions, and use of all existing structures within five times the height of the proposed WECS;
 - c. Location within a distance of five times the total height of the proposed WECS of all wetlands, ponds, lakes, water bodies, watercourses, listed state or federal special

status species habitats, habitat islands, and designated archaeological or historical sites;

- d. Location of all proposed WECS and associated structures, and their designated use, dimensions, and setback distances;
 - e. Location of all areas to be disturbed by the construction of the proposed WECS project including access routes, trenches, grading and staging areas; and
 - f. The locations and heights of all trees taller than 15 feet within five times the height of the proposed WECS and the locations, heights, and diameters (at breast height) of all trees to be removed.
2. Elevation Details. Elevations of the components of the proposed WECS.
 3. Minimized Impacts. A description of the measures taken to minimize adverse noise, transmission interference, and visual and safety impacts to adjacent land uses including over-speed protection devices and methods to prevent public access to the structure.
 4. Post-Installation Plan. A post-installation erosion control, revegetation, and landscaping plan.
 5. Engineering Drawings and Analysis. Standard drawings and an engineering analysis of the system's tower, showing compliance with the Uniform Building Code (UBC), the International Building Code (IBC) or the California Building Code and certification by a professional mechanical, structural, or civil engineer licensed by this state. However, a wet stamp shall not be required, provided that the application demonstrates that the system is designed to meet the UBC or IBC requirements for Seismic Zone 4, and the requirements for a soil strength of not more than 1,000 pounds per square foot, or other relevant conditions normally required by a local agency.
 6. Electrical Drawing. A line drawing of the electrical components of the system in sufficient detail to allow for a determination that the manner of installation conforms to the National Electric Code.
 7. Notice of Intent. Written evidence that the electric utility service provider that serves the proposed site has been informed of the owner's intent to install an interconnected customer-owned electricity generator, unless the owner does not plan, and so states so in the application, to connect the system to the electricity grid.
 8. Wind Measurement Study. A wind resource assessment study, prepared by a qualified consultant approved by the Marin County Environmental Coordinator, may be required. The study shall be performed for a minimum 6-month period during prime wind season, at the proposed site prior to the acceptance of an application. The study may require the installation of a wind testing facility, erected primarily to measure wind speed and directions and to collect other data relevant to appropriate siting. The study shall include any potential impacts on, or in conjunction with, existing WECS within a minimum of two miles of the proposed WECS site.
 9. Bird and Bat Study. Before issuance of County building or planning permit approvals:

Guidelines for Reducing Impacts to Birds and Bats from Wind Energy Development” (California Energy Commission and California Department of Fish and Game). A WECS determined to be detrimental to avian or bat wildlife may be required to cease operation for a specific period of time or may be required to be decommissioned.

2. WECS Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan and Agreement. Before issuance of building permit approval, the owner/operator of any discretionary WECS shall enter into a WECS Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan (Plan) and Agreement with the County, outlining the anticipated means and cost of removing the WECS at the end of its serviceable life or upon becoming a discontinued use if it remains inoperable for a period of more than one year. The owner/operator shall post suitable financial security as determined by the County in order to guarantee removal of any WECS that is non-operational or abandoned. The Plan must include in reasonable detail how the WECS will be dismantled and removed. The WECS must be dismantled and removed from the premises if it has been inoperative or abandoned for a period of more than one year. The Plan shall include removal of all equipment and may require removal of all foundations and other features such as fencing, security barriers, transmission lines, disposal of all solid and hazardous waste in accordance with local, state and federal regulations, and access roads to the satisfaction of the Director. The Plan shall include restoration of the physical state as existed before the WECS was constructed, and stabilization and revegetation of the site as necessary to minimize erosion. The owner/operator, at his/her expense, shall complete the removal within 90 days following the one-year period of non-operation, useful life, or abandonment, unless an extension for cause is granted by the Director or a plan is submitted outlining the steps and schedule for returning the WECS to service to the satisfaction of the Director. The WECS Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan Agreement shall be recorded by the Community Development Agency against the title of the property.
3. Encumbrances on Parcel(s). Any encumbrances placed on a parcel or parcels due to the installation of a WECS system shall remain in effect for as long as the WECS is on the site, and these encumbrances shall hold equal weight and be cumulative with respect to other limitations on the development of the parcel or parcels. Such encumbrances may not be the basis for granting any exceptions to the Marin County Development Code or Marin County Local Coastal Program regardless of any other additional development constraints imposed on the parcel or parcels. It is the owner’s due diligence responsibility to ensure the siting of the WECS will not impose future development restrictions that are unacceptable to the owner.
4. Construction Monitoring. Construction monitoring of individual projects may be required to include, but not be limited to, surveys and/or inspections as needed, to ensure on-site compliance with all permit requirements, until implementation of requirements is complete.
5. Waste Removal. Upon the completion of construction and before final inspection, solid and hazardous wastes, including, but not necessarily limited to, packaging materials, debris, oils and lubricants, shall be removed promptly from the site and disposed of in accordance with all applicable County, state and federal regulations. No hazardous materials shall be stored on the WECS site.

22.32.200 – Wind Testing Facilities (Coastal)

Facilities or structures (for example: Meteorological Towers) may be allowed as a Conditional Use on a temporary basis, if necessary to perform a wind measurement study. Installations of wind testing facilities shall be considered through the Temporary Use permit process pursuant to Chapter 22.50 (Temporary Use Permits) as well as the Coastal Permit process pursuant to Chapters 22.68 and 22.70. Any proposed wind testing facilities shall comply with the development standards and requirements of WECS (coastal) contained in Section 22.32.190.

CHAPTER 22.60 – PURPOSE AND APPLICABILITY OF COASTAL ZONE REGULATIONS

Sections:

22.60.010 – Purpose of Article

22.60.020 – Applicability

22.60.030 – Consistency with Coastal Act

22.60.010 – Purpose of Article

This Article provides permit requirements and development standards for proposed development and new land uses in the unincorporated areas of Marin County within the Coastal Zone established by the California Coastal Act of 1976. This Article implements applicable policies of the Marin County Local Coastal Program (LCP), which identify the location and density of development, provide for visitor-serving facilities, provide for public access to and along the coast, and protect significant natural resources.

22.60.020 – Applicability

The requirements of this Article apply to all proposed development and new land uses within the Coastal Zone. These requirements apply in addition to all other applicable provisions of this Development Code. In the event of any perceived conflict between the requirements of this Article and any other provisions of this Development Code, this Article shall control.

22.60.030 – Consistency with Coastal Act

All development in the Coastal Zone shall be consistent with the Marin County LCP in order to carry out the California Coastal Act of 1976, specifically the Public Access and Recreational Policies (Public Resources Code Chapter 6, Sections 30200, 30210, 30211, 30212, 30212.5, 30213, 30220, 30221, 30222, and 30223). The process of review and approval of any project shall also be consistent with the appeals section of the Coastal Act (Chapter 6, Section 30603, Paragraphs A and B).

CHAPTER 22.62 – COASTAL ZONING DISTRICTS AND ALLOWABLE LAND USES

Sections:

- 22.62.010 – Purpose of Chapter
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- 22.62.030 – Coastal Zoning Districts Established
- 22.62.040 – Allowable Land Uses and Permit Requirements
- 22.62.050 – Coastal Zoning District Regulations
- 22.62.060 – Coastal Agricultural and Resource-Related Districts
- 22.62.070 – Coastal Residential Districts
- 22.62.080 – Coastal Commercial and Mixed-Use Districts
- 22.62.090 – Coastal Special Purpose and Combining Districts

22.62.010 – Purpose of Chapter

This Chapter establishes the zoning districts in areas of the County within the Coastal Zone as mapped on the certified maps for the Marin County Local Coastal Program, determines how the zoning districts are applied on the official Zoning Maps, and provides general permit requirements for development.

22.62.020 – Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to all property within the Coastal Zone, including county, state, school, and special district property, but not including federal property. This Chapter shall not apply to development proposed or undertaken on any tidelands, submerged lands, or on public trust lands, whether filled or unfilled, where a Coastal Commission Permit is required pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 30519(b).

22.62.030 – Coastal Zoning Districts Established

The unincorporated areas of Marin County within the Coastal Zone shall be divided into zoning districts which consistently implement the Marin Countywide Plan and Marin County Local Coastal Program. The following coastal zoning districts are established, and shall be shown on the official Zoning Map (Section 22.06.030 (Zoning Map Adopted)).

A. Agricultural and Resource-Related Districts

Map Symbol

Coastal, Agricultural Production Zone	C-APZ
Coastal, Agricultural, Residential Planned	C-ARP
Coastal, Open Area	C-OA

B. Residential Zoning Districts

Coastal, Residential, Agricultural	C-RA
Coastal, Residential, Single-Family	C-R1
Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned	C-RSP
Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned, Seadrift Subdivision	C-RSPS
Coastal, Residential, Two-Family	C-R2
Coastal, Residential, Multiple Planned	C-RMP

C. Commercial and Mixed-Use Zoning Districts	Map Symbol
Coastal, Village Commercial/Residential	C-VCR
Coastal, Limited Roadside Business	C-H1
Coastal, Planned Commercial	C-CP
Coastal, Residential/Commercial Multiple Planned	C-RMPC
Coastal, Resort and Commercial Recreation	C-RCR
D. Special Purpose and Combining Districts	
Coastal, Public Facilities	C-PF
Coastal, Minimum Lot Size	B
Coastal, Scenic Corridor	SC

22.62.040 – Allowable Land Uses and Coastal Permit Requirements

- A. General requirements for allowed uses.** Proposed development within the Coastal Zone shall be consistent with land use definitions in Article VIII, and comply with Chapter 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses) and other applicable provisions of this Article.
- B. Coastal zone permit requirements.** Unless exempted or Categorically Excluded, proposed development within the Coastal Zone shall require approval of a Coastal Permit in compliance with Chapter 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements), in addition to any non-coastal land use permits required by the Development Code and Section 22.62.040.B.

The uses of land allowed by this Chapter in each coastal zoning district are identified in Tables 5-1, 5-2, and 5-3 (Allowable Land Uses for the Coastal Agricultural and Resource Related Districts, Coastal Residential Districts, and Coastal Commercial and Mixed/Use Districts, respectively) as being:

1. Uses allowed by right for which no Coastal permit is required are those as specified in applicable Categorical Exclusion Orders issued by the California Coastal Commission or determined exempt under Coastal Permit Requirements herein (Chapter 22.68). These uses are shown as “E” in the tables.
2. Principally permitted uses, subject to compliance with all applicable provisions of this Development Code, Coastal Permit approval where required, and subject to first obtaining any Building Permit and other permits required by the County Code. The Coastal Permit for a principal permitted use is appealable to the Coastal Commission only if the project is located in geographic appeals area, or if the project constitutes a major public works project or major energy facility. Principal permitted uses are shown as "PP" uses in the tables.
3. Permitted uses, subject to compliance with all applicable provisions of this Development Code, Coastal Permit approval where required, and subject to first obtaining any Building Permit and other permits required by the County Code. The Coastal Permit is appealable to the Coastal Commission. Permitted uses are shown as “P” uses in the tables.
4. Conditional uses, subject to compliance with all applicable provisions of this Development Code, Coastal Permit approval where required, and subject to first obtaining any Building Permit and other permits required by the County Code, including approval of a Use Permit (Chapters 22.48 and 22.50). The Use Permit is not part of the Coastal Permit and is not

subject to appeal to the Coastal Commission.). Conditional uses are shown as "U" uses in the tables.

5. Land uses that are not listed in Tables 5-1, 5-2, and 5-3 or are not shown in a particular zoning district are not allowed, except where otherwise provided by Section 22.06.040.B (Determination of Allowable Land Uses), or 22.68.050 (Exempt Projects).

C. Master Plan and Other Non-Local Coastal Program Permit Requirements. In addition to permits required for conformance with the Marin County Local Coastal Program, a Master Plan and/or other local permit such as a Second Unit Permit may be required for certain uses. Please refer to Articles II-IV, VI, and VII for development standards that govern these uses. A Master Plan is required only for the following uses:

1. A subdivision which does not exhaust the potential for residential development based on the Countywide Plan and zoning district densities and floor area ratios.
2. Airparks
3. Cemeteries, columbariums, mausoleums
4. Large wind energy conversion systems
5. Marinas and harbors
6. Mineral resource extraction
7. Waste disposal sites

22.62.050 – Coastal Zoning District Regulations

- A. Purpose.** Sections 22.62.040 through 22.62.080 and Chapter 22.64 determine which land uses are allowable in each zoning district, what land use permit is required to establish each use, and the basic development standards that apply to allowed land uses in each of the zoning districts established by Section 22.62.030 (Coastal Zoning Districts Established).
- B. Single parcel in two zoning districts.** In the event two or more parcels are consolidated through the approval of a lot line adjustment, merger, parcel or Tentative Map, or reversion to acreage in compliance with Article VI (Subdivisions), where a single parcel is covered by two or more zoning districts, the consolidated parcel should be reviewed by the Director to determine whether the parcel should be rezoned to a single zoning district.
- C. Measurements, calculations.** Explanations of how height limits, site coverage requirements, and floor area ratios (FAR) apply to sites and projects are in Chapter 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards).

22.62.060 – Coastal Agricultural and Resource-Related Districts

- A. Purpose of Section.** This Section provides regulations for development and new land uses proposed within the coastal agricultural and resource-related zoning districts established consistent with Local Coastal Program policies by Section 22.62.030 (Coastal Zoning Districts Established). The purpose of these zoning districts is to protect agricultural land, continued agricultural uses and the agricultural economy by maintaining parcels large enough to sustain

agricultural production, preventing conversion to non-agricultural uses, and prohibiting uses that are incompatible with long-term agricultural production or the rural character of the County's Coastal Zone and to preserve important soils, agricultural water sources, and forage to allow continued agricultural production on agricultural lands. (Policy C-AG-1)

B. Purposes of zoning districts. The purposes of the individual zoning districts are as follows.

- 1. C-APZ (Coastal, Agricultural Production Zone) District.** The C-APZ zoning district is intended to preserve privately owned agricultural lands that are suitable for land-intensive or land-extensive agricultural production. (Policy C-AG-2)

The principal use of lands in the C-APZ district is intended to be agricultural, including activities that are accessory and incidental to, in support of, and compatible with agricultural production. These activities include use of land for the breeding, raising, pasturing, and grazing of livestock; the production of food and fiber; the breeding and raising of bees, fish, poultry, and other fowl; the planting, raising, harvesting and producing of agriculture, aquaculture, horticulture, viticulture, vermiculture, forestry crops, and plant nurseries, substantially similar uses of an equivalent nature and intensity, accessory structures or uses appurtenant and necessary to the operation of agricultural uses, including one farmhouse per legal lot, an intergenerational home, agricultural worker housing, limited agricultural product sales and processing, educational tours, agricultural homestay facilities with three or fewer guest rooms, barns, fences, stables, corrals, coops and pens, and utility facilities. (Policy C-AG-2)

Conditional uses in the C-APZ zone include additional agricultural uses and non-agricultural uses including land division and residential development potentially up to the zoning density, consistent with the standards and criteria of Program C-AG-2.b and Policies C-AG-7 and -9. Conditional residential development shall not exceed a maximum density of 1 residential unit per 60 acres. Densities specified in the zoning are maximums that may not be achieved when the standards of the Agriculture policies, and, as applicable, other LCP policies are applied. (Policy C-AG-1, 2)

The C-APZ zoning district is consistent with the Agriculture 1 land use category of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.

- 2. C-ARP (Coastal, Agricultural, Residential Planned) District.** The C-ARP district applies to lands adjacent to residential areas, and at the edges of Agricultural Production Zones in the Coastal Zone that have potential for agricultural production but do not otherwise qualify for protection under the C-APZ zone. The C-ARP district provides flexibility in lot size and building locations to concentrate development to maintain the maximum amount of land for agricultural use, and to maintain the visual, natural resource and wildlife habitat values of subject properties and surrounding areas. The C-ARP district requires the grouping of proposed development. The C-ARP zoning district is consistent with the Agriculture 1, 2, and 3 land use categories of the Marin County Local Coastal Program. (Policy C-AG-3)
- 3. C-OA (Coastal, Open Area) District.** The C-OA District provides for open space, outdoor recreation, and other open lands, including areas particularly suited for park and recreational purposes, access to beaches, natural drainage channels, and areas that serve as links between major recreation and open space reservations. The C-OA zoning district is consistent with the Public and Quasi Public - Open Space land use category of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.

- C. Allowed land uses and permit requirements in agricultural/resource districts.** Table 5-1 lists the land uses allowed in the agricultural/resource zoning districts within the Coastal Zone, in compliance with Chapter 22.62 (Coastal Zoning Districts and Allowable Land Uses).
- D. Development standards for agricultural- and resource-related districts.** Proposed development and new land uses consistent with the definitions in Article VIII shall comply with the provisions of Chapters 22.32 as applicable (Standards for Specific Land Uses), this Chapter, Chapter 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.65 (Coastal Zone Planned District Development Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements),
- E. Residential Development Impacts and Agricultural Use.** Ensure that lands designated for agricultural use are not de facto converted to residential use, thereby losing the long-term productivity of such lands.
1. Residential development shall not be allowed to diminish current or future agricultural use of the property or convert it to primarily residential use.
 - (a) Any proposed residential development subject to a Coastal Permit shall comply with LCP policies including ensuring that the mass and scale of new or expanded structures respect environmental site constraints and the character of the surrounding area. Such development must be compatible with ridge protection policies and avoid tree-cutting and grading wherever possible.
 - (b) The County shall exercise its discretion in light of some or all of the following criteria and for the purpose of ensuring that the parcel does not de facto convert to residential use:
 - (1) The applicant's history of production agriculture.
 - (2) How the long term agricultural use of the property will be preserved — for example, whether there is an existing or proposed dedication or sale of permanent agricultural easements or other similar protective agricultural restrictions such as Williamson Act contract or farmland security zone.
 - (3) Whether long term capital investment in agriculture and related infrastructure, such as fencing, processing facilities, market mechanisms, agricultural worker housing or agricultural leasing opportunities has been established or is proposed to be established.
 - (4) Whether sound land stewardship practices, such as organic certification, riparian habitat restoration, water recharge projects, fish-friendly farming practices, or erosion control measures, have been or will be implemented.
 - (5) Whether the proposed residential development will facilitate the ongoing viability of agriculture such as through the intergenerational transfer of existing agricultural operations.
 - (c) In no event shall a single-family residence subject to these provisions exceed 7,000 square feet in size. Where one or two intergenerational residence units are allowed in the C-APZ zone, the aggregate residential development on the subject legal lot shall not exceed 7000 square feet.

- (d)** The following shall be excluded from the 7,000 square foot limitation:
 - (1) Agricultural worker housing;
 - (2) Up to 540 square feet of garage space for each residence unit;
 - (3) Agricultural accessory structures; and
 - (4) Up to 500 square feet of office space in the farmhouse used in connection with the agricultural operation on the property.

- (e)** The square footage limitations noted in the above criteria represent potential maximum residence unit sizes and do not establish a mandatory entitlement or guaranteed right to development.

TABLE 5-1-a - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL AGRICULTURAL & RESOURCE-RELATED DISTRICTS

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT			See Standards in Section:
	C-APZ Agricultural Production	C-ARP Agricultural Residential Planned	C-OA Open Area	
AGRICULTURE, MARICULTURE				
Agricultural accessory activities	PP, E	PP, E	PP, E	22.32.021
Agricultural accessory structures	PP, E	PP, E	PP, E	22.32.022
Agricultural homestays, 3 or fewer guest rooms	PP(10)	PP(10)	—	22.32.023 22.32.115
Agricultural homestays, 4 or 5 guest rooms	U(10)	U(10)	—	22.32.023 22.32.115
Agricultural Intergenerational Home (first)	PP	--	—	22.32.024
Agricultural Intergenerational Home (second)	U	--	—	22.32.024
Farmhouse	PP (8)	PP	—	22. 32.025
Agricultural processing uses (≤5,000 sqft.)	PP	U	—	22.32.026
Agricultural processing uses (>5,000 sqft.)	U	U	—	22.32.026
Agricultural production, except viticulture	PP, E	PP, E	P	22.32.030
Agricultural product sales (≤500 sqft.)	PP	PP	U	22.32.027
Agricultural product sales (>500 sqft.)	U	U	U	22.32.027
Agricultural worker housing	PP	PP	U	22.32.028
Commercial gardening	PP, E	P	P	
Dairy operations	PP, E	P	P(4)	22.32.030
Educational tours (non-profit or owner/operator)	PP	PP	PP	22.32.062 22.32.115
Fish hatcheries and game reserves	U	P	P	
Livestock operations, grazing	PP, E(5)	P(5)	P	22.32.030
Livestock operations, large animals	PP, E(5)	P(5)	—	22.32.030
Livestock operations, sales/feed lots, stockyards	P(3,5)	P(3,5)	—	22.32.030
Livestock operations, small animals	PP, E(5)	P(5)	—	22.32.030
Mariculture/aquaculture	PP	PP	—	22.32.105
Plant nurseries	PP	PP		
Raising of other food and fiber producing animals not listed under “agricultural production”	U	U	—	22.32.030
Viticulture	P	P		

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements
E	Certain uses may be exempt or Categorically Excluded from permit requirements.
PP	Principal permitted use. (2)
P	Permitted use. (2)
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.
- (4) Dairy operations allowed only on a site of 50 acres or larger.
- (5) Permit requirements are determined by Section 22.32.030 (Animal Keeping).
- (8) Only one single family dwelling per legal lot allowed (does not include intergenerational homes or agricultural

- worker housing). To create additional parcels and additional single-family homes, see also 22.86 (Subdivisions).
- (10) Only allowed when the primary use of the property is for agriculture; see Section 22.32.115 (Non-Agricultural Uses). The non-agricultural standards contained in Section 22.32.115 do not apply to C-ARP zoned properties with an assigned density of one unit per 1-5 acres.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-1-b - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL AGRICULTURAL & RESOURCE-RELATED DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT			See Standards in Section:
	C-APZ Agricultural Production	C-ARP Agricultural Residential Planned	C-OA Open Area	
MANUFACTURING AND PROCESSING USES				
Cottage industries	—	U	—	22.32.060
Recycling - Scrap and dismantling yards	—	U	—	
RECREATION, EDUCATION, AND PUBLIC ASSEMBLY USES				
Campgrounds	U	U	U	
Educational Tours (for profit)	U	U	P	22.32.115
Equestrian facilities	U	P (9)	U	22.32.030
Golf courses/country clubs	—	—	U	
Horses, donkeys, mules, ponies	P/U(5)	P/U(5)	U(5)	22.32.030
Hunting and fishing facilities (Private)	U	P	U	
Hunting and fishing facilities (Public)	U	U	U	
Libraries and museums	—	U	U	
Off-road vehicle courses	—	U	—	
Private residential recreational facilities	U	U	U	
Public Parks and playgrounds	U	U	P	
Religious places of worship	—	U	U	
Rural recreation	—	U	U	
Schools	—	U	U	

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements
E	Certain uses may be exempt or Catorgically Excluded from permit requirements.
PP	Principal permitted use. (2)
P	Permitted use. (2)
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.
- (4) Dairy operations allowed only on a site of 50 acres or larger.
- (5) Permit requirements are determined by Section 22.32.030 (Animal Keeping).
- (9) Equestrian employee housing is permitted with Use Permit approval (See Chapter 22.48 Use Permits)

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-1-c – ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL AGRICULTURAL & RESOURCE-RELATED DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT			See Standards in Section:
	C-APZ Agricultural Production	C-ARP Agricultural Residential Planned	C-OA Open Area	
RESIDENTIAL USES				
Affordable housing	U	P	U	Chapter 22.22
Group homes, 6 or fewer residents	P	P	—	22.32.080
Group homes, 7 or more residents	U	U	—	22.32.080
Guest houses	—	P(6)	P(6)	22.32.090
Home occupations	P(10)	P(10)	P(6)	22.32.100 22.32.115
Religious residential retreats	—	U	—	
Residential accessory uses and structures	P(6)	P(6)	P(6)	22.32.130
Residential care facility, 6 or fewer individuals	P	P	—	22.32.080
Residential care facility, 7 or more individuals	U	U	—	22.32.080
Residential second units	—	P(10)	—	22.32.140 22.32.115
Room rentals	P	P	—	
Single-family dwellings, attached or detached	U(8)	U	U(7)	22.62.060 Chapter 22.65
Tennis and other recreational uses	U	U	U	22.32.130

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
E	Certain uses may be exempt or Categorically Excluded from permit requirements.	Chapter 22.68
PP	Principal permitted use. (2)	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.
- (6) Only allowed where a single-family dwelling is first approved.
- (7) Only dwellings for teachers or custodial staff, or dwellings clearly accessory to the primary use of the site for agricultural purposes allowed.
- (8) Only one single family dwelling per legal lot allowed (does not include intergenerational homes or agricultural worker housing). To create additional parcels and additional single-family homes, see also 22.86 (Subdivisions).
- (10) Only allowed when the primary use of the property is for agriculture; see Chapter 22.32.115 (Non-Agricultural Uses). The non-agricultural standards contained in Section 22.32.115 do not apply to C-ARP zoned properties with an assigned density of one unit per 1 – 5 acres.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-1-d - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL AGRICULTURAL & RESOURCE-RELATED DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT			See Standards in Section:
	C-APZ Agricultural Production	C-ARP Agricultural Residential Planned	C-OA Open Area	
RESOURCE, OPEN SPACE USES				
Mineral resource extraction	U	U	—	Chapter 23.06
Nature preserves	U	P	P	
Water conservation dams and ponds	U	P	P	
Timber and tree production	U	U		23.04
Wind energy conversion systems (WECS), Small Roof-mounted	PP	PP	PP	22.32.190
Wind energy conversion systems (WECS), Small Freestanding, and Medium (coastal)	P	P	P	22.32.190
Wind energy conversion systems (WECS), Large (coastal)	—	—	—	22.32.190
Water wells or septic systems to serve development on adjoining land	U	U	U	
Solar energy systems (coastal), roof-mounted	PP	PP	PP	22.32.161 22.42.055(2)
Solar energy systems (coastal), free-standing	P	P	P	22.32.161
RETAIL TRADE USES				
Building materials stores	—	U	—	
Commercial storage and sale of garden supply products	U	U	—	
Sales of agricultural products	P(8,10)	P(8,10)	U	22.32.027
Bed and breakfast inns, 3 or fewer guest rooms	P(10)	P(10)	—	22.32.040 22.32.115
Bed and breakfast inns, 4 or 5 guest rooms	U(10)	U(10)	—	22.32.040 22.32.115
Child day-care centers	U	U	—	22.32.050
Child day-care - Large family day-care homes	U	U	—	22.32.050
Child day-care - Small family day-care homes	P	P	—	22.32.050
Cemeteries, columbariums, mausoleums	—	U	U	
Kennels and animal boarding	U	U	—	
Public safety/service facilities	U	U	U	
Public utility facilities	U	U	U	
Storage, accessory	P	P	P	
Veterinary clinics and animal hospitals	—	U	—	
Waste disposal sites	U	U	—	

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
E	Certain uses may be exempt or Categorically Excluded from permit requirements.	Chapter 22.68
PP	Principal permitted use (2)	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48

—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	
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Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions)
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.
- (4) Dairy operations allowed only on a site of 50 acres or larger.
- (5) Permit requirements are determined by Section 22.32.030 (Animal Keeping).
- (8) Only one single family dwelling per legal lot allowed (does not include intergenerational homes or agricultural worker housing). To create additional parcels and additional single-family homes, see also 22.86 (Subdivisions).
- (10) Only allowed when the primary use of the property is for agriculture; see Chapter 22.32.115 (Non-Agricultural Uses). The non-agricultural standards contained in Section 22.32.115 do not apply to C-ARP zoned properties with an assigned density of one unit per 1 – 5 acres.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal) Permit Requirements.

TABLE 5-1-e - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL AGRICULTURAL & RESOURCE-RELATED DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT			See Standards in Section:
	C-APZ Agricultural Production	C-ARP Agricultural Residential Planned	C-OA Open Area	
TRANSPORTATION & COMMUNICATIONS USES				
Airparks	—	U	U	
Marinas and harbors	—	U	U	
Pipelines and utility lines	P(9)	P(9)	P	
Telecommunications facilities	P/U(9)	P/U(9)	P/U(9)	22.32.165

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements (see Section 22.62.040.B)	Procedure is in Section:
E	Certain uses are exempt or Categorically Excluded from permit requirements	Chapter 22.68
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
 - (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.
 - (9) Use Permit approval may be required for aboveground telecommunications facilities per Section 22.32.165.
- Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

22.62.070 – Coastal Residential Districts

A. Purpose of Section. This Section provides regulations for development and new land uses in the coastal residential zoning districts established consistent with Marin County Local Coastal Program policies by Section 22.62.020 (Coastal Zoning Districts Established).

B. Purposes of zoning districts. The purposes of the individual zoning districts are as follows:

- 1. C-RA (Coastal, Residential, Agricultural) District.** The C-RA zoning district provides areas for residential use within the context of small-scale agricultural and agriculturally-related uses, subject to specific development standards. The C-RA zoning district is consistent with the Single-Family Residential 3, 4, 5, and 6 land use categories of the Marin County Local Coastal Program. {Policy C-AG-2.2.b}
- 2. C-R1 (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family) District.** The C-R1 zoning district provides areas for detached single-family homes, similar and related compatible uses. The C-R1 zoning district is consistent with the Single-Family Residential 3, 4, 5, and 6 land use categories of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
- 3. C-RSP (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned) District.** The C-RSP zoning district provides areas for detached single-family homes, similar and related compatible uses, which are designed in compliance with Marin County Local Coastal Program policies. This Section establishes no specific setback requirements, so that development may be designed for maximum compatibility with sensitive site characteristics. The C-RSP zoning district is consistent with all Single-Family Residential land use categories of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
- 4. C-RSPS (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned) District (Seadrift Subdivision).** The C-RSPS zoning district is applied to areas within the Seadrift Subdivision intended for detached single-family homes, similar and related compatible uses, which are designed in compliance with Marin County Local Coastal Program policies. This Section establishes no specific setback requirements, so that development may be designed for maximum compatibility with sensitive site characteristics unique to the Seadrift sandspit and lagoon, Bolinas lagoon, and the beaches adjacent to the subdivision. The C-RSPS zoning district is consistent with all Single-Family Residential land use categories of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
- 5. C-R2 (Coastal, Residential, Two-Family) District.** The C-R2 zoning district provides areas for attached two-family housing units, detached single-family homes consistent with Land Use Plan Policy C-CD-26,, and similar and related compatible uses. The C-R2 zoning district is consistent with the Multi-Family Residential 2 land use category of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
- 6. C-RMP (Coastal, Residential, Multiple Planned) District.** The C-RMP zoning district provides areas for varied types of residential development, and similar and related compatible uses, designed in compliance with Marin County Local Coastal Program policies. This Section establishes no specific setback requirements, so that development may be designed for maximum compatibility with sensitive site characteristics. The C-RMP zoning district is consistent with the Planned Residential and other Multi-Family Residential land use categories of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.

- C. Allowable land uses and permit requirements in residential districts.** Table 5-2 (Allowed Uses and Permit Requirements for Coastal Residential Districts) lists the land uses allowed in the residential zoning districts within the Coastal Zone, in compliance with Section 22.62.040 (Allowable Land Uses and Permit Requirements).
- D. Development standards for residential districts.** Proposed development and new land uses shall be consistent with the land use definitions in Article VIII, and shall comply with the provisions of Chapters 22.32 as applicable (Standards for Specific Land Uses) and all other applicable provisions of this Article.

TABLE 5-2-a - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT						See Standards in Section
	C-RA Residential Agricultural	C-R1 Single Family	C-R2 Two Family	C-RSPS Single Family Seadrift Sub-division	C-RSP Single Family Planned	C-RMP Multiple Planned	
AGRICULTURAL							
Agricultural accessory structures	PP	P	P	—	P	P	22.32.022
Agricultural processing	U	—	—	—	—	—	
Agricultural production	PP	P	P	—	P	P	
Agricultural worker housing	PP	—	—	—	—	—	22.32.028
Commercial gardening	PP	P	P	—	P	P	
Livestock operations, grazing	—	—	—	—	U(4,5)	U(4,5)	22.32.030
Livestock operations, large animals	(5)	—	—	—	—	—	22.32.030
Livestock operations, small animals	(5)	(5)	(5)	—	P(5)	P(5)	22.32.030
Mariculture/aquaculture	U	—	—	—	U	U	22.32.105
Plant nurseries, with on-site sales	U	U	U	—	U	U	
Plant nurseries, without on-site sales	P	P	P	—	P	P	
MANUFACTURING & PROCESSING USES							
Cottage industries	U	U	U	U	U	U	22.32.060

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for Design Review requirements for all uses.
- (4) Allowed only where a maximum density of one unit per three acres or larger is required.
- (5) Permit requirement determined by Section 22.32.030 (Animal Keeping).

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-2-b - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT						See Standards n Section:
	C-RA Residential Agri- cultural	C-R1 Single Family	C-R2 Two Family	C-RSPS Single Family Seadrift Sub- division	C-RSP Single Family Planned	C-RMP Multiple Planned	
RESOURCE, OPEN SPACE USES							
Nature preserves	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Wind energy conversion systems (WECS), Small Roof-mounted	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	22.32.190
Wind energy conversion systems (WECS), , Small Freestanding, and Medium (coastal)	P	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.190
Wind energy conversion systems (WECS), Large (coastal)	—	—	—	—	—	—	22.32.190
Solar energy systems (coastal), roof-mounted	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	22.32.161 22.42.055 (2)
Solar energy systems (coastal), free-standing	P	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.161
RECREATION, EDUCATION & PUBLIC ASSEMBLY USES							
Community centers	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Equestrian facilities	U	—	—	—	U	U	22.32.030
Horses, donkeys, mules, ponies	P(4)	P(4)	P(4)	—	U(4)	U(4)	22.32.030
Libraries and museums	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Private residential recreation facilities	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Public parks and playgrounds	U	U	U	U	U	P	
Public buildings	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Religious places of worship	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Schools	U	U	U	U	U	U	

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.
- (4) Permit requirement determined by Section 22.32.030 (Animal Keeping).

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-2-c - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT						See Standards in Section:
	C-RA Residential Agri- cultural	C-R1 Single Family	C-R2 Two Family	C-RSPS Single Family Seadrift Sub- division	C-RSP Single Family Planned	C-RMP Multiple Planned	
RESIDENTIAL USES							
Affordable housing	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	22.32.080
Group homes, 6 or fewer residents	P	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.080
Group homes, 7 or more residents	U	U	U	U	U	U	22.32.080
Guest houses	P	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.090
Home occupations	P	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.100
Multi-family dwellings	—	—	—	—	—	PP	
Organizational houses	U	U	U		U	U	
Room rentals	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	
Residential accessory uses and structures	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	22.32.130
Residential care facility, 6 or fewer individuals	P	P	P	P	P	P	
Residential care facility, 7 or more individuals	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Residential second units	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	22.32.140
Single-family dwellings	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	
Two-family dwellings	—	—	PP	—	—	PP	

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-2-d - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT						See Standards in Section:
	C-RA Residential Agri- cultural	C-R1 Single Family	C-R2 Two Family	C-RSPS Single Family Seadrift Sub- division	C-RSP Single Family Planned	C-RMP Multiple Planned	
RETAIL TRADE USES							
Sale of agricultural products produced on site	U	U	U	—	U	U	22.32.027
SERVICE USES							
Bed and breakfast, 3 or fewer guest rooms	P	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.040
Bed and breakfast, 4 or 5 guest rooms	U	U	U	U	U	U	22.32.040
Child day-care centers	U	U	U	U	U	U	22.32.050
Child day-care, large family day-care homes	P	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.050
Child day-care, small family day-care homes	P	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.050
Kennels and animal boarding	U	—	—	—	—	—	
Public utility or safety facilities	U	U	U	U	U	U	
TRANSPORTATION & COMMUNICATIONS USES							
Pipelines and utility lines	U	U	U	U	U	U	
Telecommunications facilities	P/U	P/U	P/U	P/U	P/U	P/U	22.32.165

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

22.62.080 – Coastal Commercial and Mixed-Use Districts

- A. Purpose of Section.** This Section provides regulations for development and new land uses in the coastal commercial and mixed-use zoning districts established consistent with Marin County Local Coastal Program policies by Section 22.62.030 (Coastal Zoning Districts Established).
- B. Purposes of zoning districts.** The purposes of the individual zoning districts are as follows:
- 1. C-VCR (Coastal, Village Commercial/Residential) District.** The C-VCR zoning district is intended to: maintain the established historical character of village commercial areas; promote village commercial self-sufficiency; foster opportunities for village commercial growth, including land uses that serve coastal visitors; maintain a balance between resident-serving and non-resident-serving commercial uses; protect established residential, commercial, and light industrial uses; and maintain community scale. The C-VCR zoning district is consistent with the Neighborhood Commercial land use category of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
 - 2. C-H1 (Coastal, Limited Roadside Business) District.** The C-H1 zoning district is intended for rural areas suitable for businesses that serve the motoring public. The C-H1 zoning district is consistent with the General Commercial/Mixed-Use land use category of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
 - 3. C-CP (Coastal, Planned Commercial) District.** The C-CP zoning district is intended to create and protect areas suitable for a full range of commercial and institutional uses in compliance with the Marin County Local Coastal Program. The C-CP zoning district is consistent with the General Commercial/Mixed-Use land use category of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
 - 4. C-RMPC (Coastal, Residential/Commercial Multiple Planned) District.** The C-RMPC zoning district is intended to create and protect areas suitable for a mixture of residential and commercial uses in compliance with the Marin County Local Coastal Program. The C-RMPC zoning district is consistent with the General Commercial/Mixed-Use land use category of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
 - 5. C-RCR (Coastal, Resort and Commercial Recreation) District.** The C-RCR zoning district is intended to create and protect areas for resort facilities, with emphasis on public access to recreational areas within and adjacent to developed areas. The C-RCR zoning district is consistent with the Recreational Commercial land use category of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
- C. Allowed land uses and permit requirements in commercial/mixed use districts.** Table 5-3 (Allowed Use and Permit Requirements for Coastal Commercial/Mixed-Use Districts) lists the land uses allowed in the commercial zoning districts within the Coastal Zone, in compliance with Section 22.62.040 (Allowable Land Uses and Permit Requirements).
- D. Development standards for Commercial/Mixed-use districts.** Proposed development and new land uses consistent with the definitions in Article VIII shall comply with the provisions of Chapters 22.32 as applicable (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-3-a - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL COMMERCIAL/MIXED-USE DISTRICTS

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT					See Standards in Section
	C-VCR Village Commercial Residential	C-H1 Limited Roadside Business	C-CP Planned Commercial	C-RMPC Residential Commercial Multiple Planned	C-RCR Resort and Commercial Recreation	
AGRICULTURAL, RESOURCE & OPEN SPACE						
Agricultural production	P	P	P	P	—	
Commercial gardening	P	P	P	P	—	
Mariculture/aquaculture	P	P	P	P	—	22.32.105
Plant nurseries, with or without on-site sales	P	P	P	P	—	
Wind energy conversion systems (WECS), small roof-mounted	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	22.32.190
Wind energy conversions systems (WECS), Small Freestanding, and Medium (coastal)	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.190
Wind energy conversion systems (WECS), Large (coastal)	—	—	—	—	—	22.32.190
Solar energy systems (coastal), roof-mounted	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	22.32.161 22.42.055(2)
Solar energy systems (coastal), free-standing	P	P	P	P	P	22.32.161
MANUFACTURING & PROCESSING USES						
Beverage production	U	—	U	U	—	
Boat manufacturing and sales	U	—	U	U	—	
Cottage Industries	U	—	—	U	—	22.32.060
Food products	U	U	U	U	—	
Furniture and fixtures	U	—	U	U	—	
Laundries and dry cleaning plants	U	—	U	U	—	
Recycling facilities	U	U	U	U	P	
Recycling - Reverse vending machines	P	P	P	P	P	
Seafood processing and sales	U	—	U	U	—	

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-3-b - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT					See Standards in Section
	C-VCR Village Commercial Residential	C-H1 Limited Roadside Business	C-CP Planned Commercial	C-RMPC Residential Commercial Multiple Planned	C-RCR Resort and Commercial Recreation	
RECREATION, EDUCATION & PUBLIC ASSEMBLY USES						
Community centers	U	P	U	U	U	
Golf courses/country clubs	—	—	—	—	U	
Health/fitness facilities	U	—	U	U	U	
Indoor recreation centers	U	—	U	U	U	
Libraries and museums	U	P	U	U	U	
Membership organization facilities	U	U	U	U	—	
Outdoor commercial recreation	—	U	—	—	U	
Public parks and playgrounds	U	U	U	U	U	
Religious places of worship	U	U	U	U	U	
Schools	U	U	U	U	U	
Sport facilities and outdoor public assembly	U	U	U	U	U	
Studios for dance, art, music, photography, etc.	U	U	U	U	U	
Theaters and meeting halls	U	U	U	U	U	

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-3-c - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT					See Standards in Section
	C-VCR Village Commercial Residential (4)	C-H1 Limited Roadside Business	C-CP Planned Commercial	C-RMPC Residential Commercial Multiple Planned	C-RCR Resort and Commercial Recreation	
RESIDENTIAL USES						
Affordable housing	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	Chapter 22.22
Group homes, 6 or fewer residents	P	U	—	P	—	22.32.080
Group homes, 7 or more residents	U	U	—	U	—	22.32.080
Guest houses	PP	U	—	PP	—	22.32.090
Home occupations	PP	U	—	PP	—	22.32.100
Multi-family dwellings	U	U	U	PP	—(9)	22.32.150
Organizational houses	U	U	—	U	—	
Residential accessory uses and structures	PP	U	—	PP	—	22.32.130
Room rentals	PP	U	—	PP	—	
Single-family dwellings	PP	U	U	PP	—(9)	22.32.150
Tennis and other recreational uses	U	U	U	PP	—	22.32.130
Two-family dwellings	U	U	U	PP	—(9)	22.32.150

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.
- (4) Use Permit approval is required for residential uses proposed on the ground floor of a new or existing structure on the road-facing side of the property per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-3.
- (8) Dwellings, except for affordable housing, shall be accessory to the primary commercial use. See 22.32.150 (Residential Uses in Commercial/Mixed Use Areas).
- (9) Employee housing is permitted by Design Review. See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review).

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-3-d - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT					See Standards in Section
	C-VCR Village Commercial Residential	C-H1 Limited Roadside Business	C-CP Planned Commercial	C-RMPC Residential Commercial Multiple Planned	C-RCR Resort and Commercial Recreation	
RETAIL TRADE USES						
Accessory retail uses	PP	U	PP	PP	—	22.32.020
Auto, mobile home, vehicle and parts sales, new	U	—	U	U	—	
Auto sales, used	U	—	U	U	—	
Bars and drinking places	U	—	U	U	U	
Building material stores	U	U	U	U	—	
Farmers' markets	U	—	U	U	—	
Fuel and ice dealers	U	U	U	U	—	
Furniture, furnishings, and equipment stores	PP	U	PP	PP	—	
Grocery stores	PP	U	PP	PP	—	
Liquor stores	PP	U	PP	PP	—	
Outdoor retail sales and activities	U	U	U	U	—	
Outdoor retail sales, temporary	U	U	U	U	—	
Restaurants, 40 patrons or less	PP	PP	PP	PP	U	
Restaurants, more than 40 patrons	U	U	U	U	U	
Restaurants, with liquor and/or entertainment	U	U	U	U	U	
Restaurants, take-out, fast food	U	U	U	U	U	
Retail stores, general merchandise	PP	U	PP	PP	—	
Retail stores, visitor/collector	U	U	U	U	—	
Second hand stores	U	U	U	U	—	
Shopping centers	U	U	U	U	—	
Tobacco retail establishments	—	U	U	—	—	22.32.170

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-3-e - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT					See Standards in Section
	C-VCR Village Commercial Residential	C-H1 Limited Roadside Business	C-CP Planned Commercial	C-RMPC Residential Commercial Multiple Planned	C-RCR Resort and Commercial Recreation	
SERVICE USES						
Automatic teller machine (ATM), not at bank	PP	P	PP	PP	P	
Banks and financial services (no drive-thru)	PP	—	PP	PP	—	
Bed and breakfast, 3 or fewer guest rooms	PP	U	—	PP	—	22.32.040
Bed and breakfast, 4 or 5 guest rooms	U	U	—	U	—	22.32.040
Business support services	P	—	P	P	—	
Cemeteries, columbariums and mortuaries	U	U	U	U	U	
Child day-care centers	U	U	U	U	—	22.32.050
Child day-care, large family day-care homes	U	U	U	U	—	22.32.050
Child day-care, small family day-care homes	P	P	P	P	—	22.32.050
Construction yards	U	—	U	U	—	
Homeless shelters	—	—	P	—	—	22.32.095
Hotels and motels	U	U	U	U	PP	
Medical services - Clinics and laboratories	U	U	U	U	—	
Medical services - Hospitals and extended care	U	U	U	U	U	
Offices	PP	U	PP	PP	—	
Personal services	PP	—	PP	PP	—	
Public utility or safety facilities	U	U	U	U	U	
Repair and maintenance - consumer products	P	—	P	P	—	
Repair and maintenance - vehicles	U	U	U	U	—	
Service stations	U	U	U	U	U	22.32.160
Storage, accessory	P	P	P	P	U	
Veterinary clinics and animal hospitals	U	U	U	U	—	
Warehousing	U	—	U	U	—	

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

TABLE 5-3-f - ALLOWED USES AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS FOR COASTAL COMMERCIAL/MIXED USE DISTRICTS (Continued)

LAND USE (1)	PERMIT REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICT					See Standards in Section
	C-VCR Village Commercial Residential	C-HI Limited Roadside Business	C-CP Planned Commercial	C-RMPC Residential Commercial Multiple Planned	C-RCR Resort and Commercial Recreation	
TRANSPORTATION & COMMUNICATIONS USES						
Commercial parking and vehicle storage	U	—	U	U	—	
Harbors	U	—	U	U	U	
Marinas	U	—	U	U	U	
Pipelines and utility lines	U	U	U	U	U	
Telecommunications facilities	P/U	P/U	P/U	P/U	P/U	22.32.165
Transit stations and terminals	U	—	U	U	U	
Transit stop shelters	PP	PP	PP	PP	PP	
Vehicle and freight terminals	—	—	P	U	—	

KEY TO PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Symbol	Permit Requirements	Procedure is in Section:
PP	Principal permitted use	
P	Permitted use. (2)	
U	Conditional use, Use Permit required. (2)	Chapter 22.48
—	Use not allowed. (See 22.02.020.E regarding uses not listed.)	

Notes:

- (1) Listed land uses must be consistent with definitions in Article VIII (Development Code Definitions).
- (2) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for separate, non-coastal permit Design Review requirements for all uses.

Development shall also be consistent, as applicable, with Chapters 22.130 (Definitions), 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses), 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and 22.68 (Coastal Permit Requirements).

22.62.090 – Coastal Special Purpose and Combining Districts

A. Purpose of Section. This Section provides regulations for development and new land uses in the coastal special purpose and combining zoning districts established consistent with Marin County Local Coastal Program policies by Section 22.62.030 (Coastal Zoning Districts Established).

B. Purpose and applicability of zoning districts.**1. General Applicability.**

a. Special purpose districts. Special purpose zoning districts are intended to identify sites suitable for types of land uses that are substantially different from, or that may not be appropriate or cannot be readily accommodated along with, most land uses allowed within the other coastal agricultural, residential, and commercial zoning districts established by Section 22.62.030.

b. Combining districts. Combining districts are applied to property together with one of the other agricultural, residential, or commercial zoning districts, to highlight areas

where important site, neighborhood, or area characteristics require particular attention in project planning.

- (1) The combining districts established by this Chapter provide standards that apply to development and new land uses in addition to those of zoning districts.
- (2) The applicability of a combining district to property is shown by its map symbol established by Section 22.62.030 (Coastal Zoning Districts Established) being shown as a suffix to the symbol for the primary zoning district. A site designated within a combining district shall be subject to all applicable provisions of this Chapter, in addition to the requirements of the primary zoning district. If provisions of this Chapter conflict with any requirements of a primary zoning district, this Chapter shall control.

2. C-PF (Coastal, Public Facilities) Zoning/Combining District.

- a. The Coastal Public Facilities “C-PF” zoning/combining district is applied to land in the Coastal Zone suitable for public facilities and public institutional uses, where a governmental, educational, or other institutional facility is the primary use of the site, in compliance with the Marin County Local Coastal Program. The C-PF district is consistent with the Public Facility and Quasi-Public Facility land use categories of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
- b. The C-PF district may be applied to property as a primary zoning district where the permitting authority determines that the facility is sufficiently different from surrounding land uses to warrant a separate zoning district, and as a combining district where a publicly-owned site accommodates land uses that are similar in scale, character, and activities, to surrounding land uses.

3. B (Coastal, Minimum Lot Size) Combining District. See Section 22.64.040 (Coastal Minimum Lot Size (-B) Combining District) for the purpose and applicability of this district.

4. WE (Coastal Wind Energy) Combining District. See Section 22.64.045 (Coastal Wind Energy (“-WE”) Combining District) for the purpose and applicability of this district

C. Development standards for special purpose/combining districts. Proposed development and new land uses shall be consistent with the land use definitions in Article VIII, and shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 22.32 (Standards for Specific Land Uses) as applicable and all other applicable provisions of this Article.

CHAPTER 22.64 – COASTAL ZONE DEVELOPMENT AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT STANDARDS

Sections:

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- 22.64.040 – Coastal Minimum Lot Size (-B) Combining District
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- 22.64.050 – Biological Resources
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- 22.64.170 – Parks and Recreation
- 22.64.180 – Public Coastal Access

22.64.010 – Purpose of Chapter

This chapter provides general standards for proposed development, site planning, and land use for the following coastal zoning districts: C-APZ (Coastal, Agricultural Production Zone), C-ARP (Coastal, Agricultural, Residential Planned), C-OA, (Coastal, Open Area), C-RA (Coastal, Residential, Agricultural), C-R1 (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family), C-RSP (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned), C-RSPS (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned, Seadrift Subdivision), C-R2 (Coastal, Residential, Two-Family), C-RMP (Coastal, Residential, Multiple Planned), C-VCR (Coastal, Village Commercial/ Residential), C-H1 (Coastal, Limited Roadside Business), C-CP (Coastal, Planned Commercial), and C-RMPC (Coastal, Residential/Commercial Multiple Planned) zoning districts, and the -B (Minimum Lot Size) and -WE (Coastal Wind Energy) combining districts.

22.64.020 – Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply in all coastal zoning districts to proposed development and new land uses which require Coastal Permit approval in addition to the requirements of Chapters 22.62 (Coastal Zoning Districts and Allowable Land Uses), 22.66 (Coastal Zone Community Standards), and all other applicable provisions of this Development Code.

22.64.030 – General Site Development Standards

Proposed development within the coastal zoning districts established by Section 22.62.030 (Coastal Zoning Districts Established) shall be designed and constructed in compliance with the minimum lot area, setback requirements, and floor area ratio requirements shown in Table 5-4 (Coastal Zone Development Standards).

TABLE 5-4-a – COASTAL ZONE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

Zoning District	Minimum Lot Area (1)	Maximum Residential Density (2,6)	Minimum Setback Requirements (1, 3)			Height Limit (4)		Maximum FAR (5,7)
			Front	Sides	Rear	Primary	Accessory	
C-RA	7,500 sq. ft.	Not applicable	25 ft.	6 ft., 10 ft. on street side	20% of lot depth to 25 ft. max.	25 ft.	15 ft.	0.30
C-R1								
C-R2								
C-VCR		1 unit per 2,000 sq. ft. of lot area	0 ft.	0 ft. for commercial use, 5 ft. for residential use	0 ft. for commercial use, 15 ft. for residential use			Not applicable
C-H1		1 unit per 7,500 sq. ft. of lot area	30 ft.	6 ft. adjacent to residential district, none otherwise	12 ft. adjacent to residential district, none otherwise			

Notes:

- (1) Minimum lot area and setback standards may change, as follows:
 - a. Minimum lot area and setback standards may change when such district is combined with a “-B” district in compliance with the provisions of Section 22.64.040 (Coastal “-B” Combining District Development Standards).
 - b. Minimum lot area may change in areas of sloping terrain, including those districts combined with “-B” districts, in compliance with the provisions of Section 22.82.050 (Hillside Subdivision Design).
- (2) In C-RA, C-R1, C-R2, and C-H1 districts, maximum residential density is based on one unit per the minimum lot area required.
- (3) See (1) above. See Section 22.20.090 (Setback Requirements and Exceptions) for setback measurement, allowed projections into setbacks, and exceptions to required setbacks. (4) See Section 22.20.060 (Height Measurement and Height Limit Exceptions) for height measurement and exceptions. Building height limits may change, as follows:
 - a. In C-R1 districts of the Stinson Beach Highlands, the primary building height limit is 17 feet.
 - b. Single-family dwellings over 25 feet in height may require Design Review and Variance approval in compliance with Chapters 22.42 (Design Review), and 22.54 (Variances) in addition to a Coastal Permit.
- (5) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for other conditions that may require Design Review approval in addition to a Coastal Permit. In C-VCR and C-H1 districts, maximum floor area may be determined through the Design Review Process in compliance with Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) in addition to a Coastal Permit.
- (6) The maximum residential density for proposed subdivision for that portion or portions of properties with Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas and buffers, and properties that lack public water or sewer systems, shall be calculated at the lowest end of the density range as established by the governing Land Use Category, except for projects that provide significant public benefits, as determined by the Review Authority, lots proposed for affordable housing, or where it can be demonstrated that the development can be served by on-site water and sewage disposal systems.
- (7) The maximum non-residential and non-agricultural floor area for that portion or portions of properties with Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas and buffers, and properties that lack public water or sewer systems, shall be calculated at the lowest end of the density range as established by the governing Land Use Category, except for projects that provide significant

public benefits, as determined by the Review Authority, or where it can be demonstrated that the development can be served by an on-site water and sewage disposal system.

See Article VIII (Development Code Definitions) for definitions of the terms used above.

TABLE 5-4-b – COASTAL ZONE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS (Continued)

Zoning District	Minimum Lot Area (1)	Maximum Residential Density (2, 6)	Minimum Setback Requirements (3)			Height Limit (4)		Maximum FAR (5,7)
			Front	Sides	Rear	Primary	Accessory	
C-OA	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable			25 ft.	15 ft.	Not applicable
C-APZ		See Zoning Map						
C-ARP								
C-RMP								
C-RMPC								
C-RSP								
C-RSPS		See 22.66.070.D						
C-CP		Not permitted				25 ft.	15 ft.	
C-RCR								

Notes:

- (1) Minimum lot area is determined through the Coastal Permit. The review authority will determine whether the lot area is adequate for a proposed land use.
- (2) Dwellings are not permitted in C-CP and C-RCR districts. Where dwellings are permitted, the following standards apply:
 - a. In C-OA districts, maximum residential density is determined through the Coastal Permit.
 - b. In C-APZ, C-ARP, C-RMP, C-RMPC, C-RSP, and C-RSPS districts, when determining the maximum residential density allowed, any fraction of a dwelling unit of 0.90 or greater will be counted as a whole unit.
 - c. C-APZ districts shall have a maximum residential density of one unit per 60 acres.
 - d. In considering division of agricultural lands in the Coastal Zone, the County may approve fewer parcels than the maximum number of parcels allowed by this Code, based on site characteristics such as topography, soil, water availability, environmental constraints, and the capacity to sustain viable agricultural operations. {Policy C-AG-6}
- (3) Setbacks are determined through the Coastal Permit.
- (4) See Section 22.20.060 (Height Measurement and Height Limit Exceptions) for height measurement and exceptions. Building height limits may change, as follows:
 - a. In C-RSP districts on the shoreline of Tomales Bay, building height limits shall comply with Section 22.65.060.C (C-RSP Zoning District Height Limit - Tomales Bay).
 - b. In C-RSPS districts, building height limits shall comply with Section 22.65.070.D (C-RSPS Zoning District Height Limit - Seadrift Subdivision).
- (5) Maximum floor area is determined through the Coastal Permit.
- (6) The maximum residential density for proposed subdivisions for that portion or portions of properties with Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas and buffers, and properties that lack public water or sewer systems, shall be calculated at the lowest end of the density range as established by the governing Land Use Category, except for projects that provide significant public benefits, as determined by the Review Authority, lots proposed for affordable housing, or where it can be demonstrated that the development can be served by on-site water and sewage disposal systems.
- (7) The maximum non-residential and non-agricultural floor area for that portion or portions of properties with Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas and buffers, and properties that lack public water or sewer systems, shall be calculated at the lowest end of the density range as established by the governing Land Use Category, except for projects that provide significant

public benefits, as determined by the Review Authority, or where it can be demonstrated that the development can be served by an on-site water and sewage disposal system.

See Article VIII (Development Code Definitions) for definitions of the terms used above.

22.64.040 – Coastal Minimum Lot Size (-B) Combining District

A. Purpose. The Coastal Minimum Lot Size “-B” combining district is intended to establish lot size, area, and setback requirements for new subdivisions that are different from those normally applied by the primary zoning district applicable to a site; and to configure new development on existing lots, where desirable, because of specific characteristics of the area.

B. Development standards. Where the -B combining district is applied, the minimum lot area, average lot width, and depths of front, side, and rear yards in Table 5-5 shall be required, instead of those that are normally required by the primary zoning district. The maximum residential density for proposed subdivision for that portion or portions of properties with Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas and buffers, and properties that lack public water or sewer systems, shall be calculated at the lowest end of the density range as established by the governing Land Use Category, except for projects that provide significant public benefits, as determined by the Review Authority, lots proposed for affordable housing, or where it can be demonstrated that the development can be served by on-site water and sewage disposal systems.

TABLE 5-5 – COASTAL -B COMBINING DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

Zoning District	Minimum Lot Area (1)	Minimum Setback Requirements (2)			Height Limit (3)		Maximum FAR (4, 5)
		Front	Sides	Rear	Primary	Accessory	
B1	6,000 sq.ft.	25 ft.	5 ft., 10 ft. on street side	20% of lot depth to 25 ft. max.	25ft.	15 ft.	0.30
B2	10,000 sq.ft.		10 ft.				
B3	20,000 sq.ft.	30 ft.	15 ft.				
B4	1 acre		20 ft.				
B5	2 acres		20 ft., 30 ft. on street side	30 ft.			
B6	3 acres						
BD	See Section 22.66.110						

Notes:

- (1) Minimum lot area shown applies except where Section 22.82.050 (Hillside Subdivision Design) establishes a different standard.
- (2) See Section 22.20.090 (Setback Requirements and Exceptions) for setback measurement, allowed projections into setbacks, and exceptions to required setbacks.
- (3) See Section 22.20.060 (Height Measurement and Height Limit Exceptions) for height measurement and exceptions. Primary building height limit in the Stinson Beach Highlands is

17 feet, not 25 feet. Single-family dwellings over 25 feet in height may require Design Review and Variance approval in compliance with Chapters 22.42 (Design Review) and 22.54 (Variances) in addition to a Coastal Permit.

- (4) See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review) for other conditions that may require Design Review approval in addition to a Coastal Permit.
- (5) The maximum non-residential and non-agricultural floor area for that portion or portions of properties with Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas and buffers, and properties that lack public water or sewer systems, shall be calculated at the lowest end of the density range as established by the governing Land Use Category, except for projects that provide significant public benefits, as determined by the Review Authority, or where it can be demonstrated that the development can be served by an on-site water and sewage disposal system.

See Article VIII (Development Code Definitions) for definitions of the terms used above.

22.64.045 – Coastal Wind Energy (-WE) Combining District

A. Purpose. The Coastal Wind Energy “-WE” combining district is intended to establish design standards for specific land uses and new development that are different from those normally applied by the primary zoning district applicable to a site.

B. Development standards. Where the –WE combining district is applied, the following development standards shall be required:

- 1. Wind Energy Conversion System (WECS) (coastal).** Only where the –WE Combining District is applied, WECS (coastal) projects shall be allowed to exceed a total height of 40 feet up to a maximum total height of 100 feet, instead of the height limits normally required by the primary zoning district. All WECS (coastal) projects shall remain subject to all other applicable standards of Section 22.32.190.

22.64.050 – Biological Resources

A. Submittal requirements.

- 1. Biological studies.** Coastal Permit applications may be required to provide a site assessment based on a review of the best available scientific and geographic information and subject to a level of review that is commensurate with the nature and scope of the project and the potential existence of an Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area (ESHA). A site assessment shall confirm the extent of the ESHA, document any site constraints and the presence of other sensitive resources, recommend precise required setbacks and provide other information, analysis and potential modifications necessary to demonstrate compliance with the LCP. Where habitat restoration or creation is required to eliminate or offset potential impacts to an ESHA, a detailed Restoration and Monitoring Plan shall be required. The Restoration and Monitoring Plan shall be consistent with the guidance provided in the California Coastal Commission LCP Guide for Local Governments, *Protecting Sensitive Habitats and Other Natural Resources* (undated).

Any recommendations given in the site assessment regarding buffer widths should consider the following: 1) topography of the site; 2) movement of stormwater; 3) permeability of the soils and depth to water table; 4) vegetation present; 5) proposed activities; and 6) behavior and movement of habitat dependent wildlife.

2. **Site map.** Coastal Permit applications shall contain a detailed site plan showing existing and proposed construction, with major vegetation, water courses, natural features, and other probable wildlife areas.
3. **Additional information.** Based on review of the provided information, the County may request additional information to address site-specific conditions and/or as part of the environmental review process.

B. Biological Resource standards.

1. **Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas (ESHAs).** The resource values of ESHAs shall be protected by limiting development per Land Use Policies C-BIO-1, C-BIO-2, and C-BIO-3.
2. **Habitats of rare or endangered species and unique plant communities.** Habitats of rare and endangered species and unique plant communities shall be protected by limiting development in those areas and providing adequate buffers surrounding those areas per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-3.
3. **Ecological restoration.** Encourage restoration of degraded ESHAs per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-5.
4. **Invasive plants.** Where feasible, require the removal of non-native, invasive plant species and revegetation of denuded areas with native plants per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-6.
5. **Coastal dunes and beaches.** Coastal dunes and beaches shall be preserved by limiting development in those areas per Land Use Plan Policies C-BIO-7, C-BIO-8, and C-BIO-9.
6. **Roosting and nesting habitat.** Roosting and nesting habitat and the grassy shorebird feeding areas adjacent to Bolinas Lagoon shall be protected by limiting development per Land Use Plan Policies C-BIO-10, C-BIO-11, and C-BIO-12.
7. **Biological productivity.** The biological productivity and quality of coastal waters, coastal streams, coastal wetlands, coastal estuaries and coastal lakes shall be maintained, and where feasible, enhanced per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-13.
8. **Coastal wetlands.** Coastal wetlands shall be preserved and maintained as productive wildlife habitats, recreational open space, and water filtering and storage areas by limiting diking, dredging, draining, and dredging per Land Use Plan Policies C-BIO-14, C-BIO-15, C-BIO-16, and C-BIO-17, disposing of spoils per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-18 and mitigating wetland impacts per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-21.
9. **Coastal wetland buffers.** Adequate buffers shall be maintained surrounding coastal wetlands per Land Use Policy C-BIO-19 unless an adjustment or exception to standard buffers is granted per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-20.
10. **Marine resources.** Marine resources shall be maintained, enhanced, and where feasible, restored and special protection shall be provided to areas and species of special biological or economic significance per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-23.
11. **Coastal streams, riparian vegetation, and buffers.** Alterations to coastal streams and riparian vegetation shall be limited and adequate buffers shall be provided surrounding those resources per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-24, unless an adjustment or exception to

the standard buffers is granted per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-25. Any alteration of riparian vegetation which is allowed under these policies shall require an erosion control plan and re-vegetation plan that incorporates native species to the maximum extent feasible.

22.64.060 – Environmental Hazards

A. Application requirements.

- 1. Environmental hazards report.** Coastal permit applications for development in areas potentially subject to geologic or other hazards as mapped by the County at the time of Coastal Permit application, including Alquist-Priolo earthquake hazards zones, areas subject to tsunami runup, landslides, liquefaction, beach or bluff erosion, steep slopes averaging greater than 35 percent, unstable slopes regardless of steepness, flood hazard areas, or areas potentially inundated by accelerated sea level rise, shall include a report by a qualified registered civil or structural engineer describing the extent of potential environmental hazards on the site and recommended construction, siting and other techniques to minimize possible environmental hazards. The report shall demonstrate that, subject to the recommended measures, the area of construction is stable for development, that the development will not create a hazard or diminish the stability of the area, and that the development will not require the construction of shoreline protective devices during its economic life (100 years). (Portion of Land Use Plan Policy C-EH-2)
- 2. Geotechnical investigation for blufftop development.** Coastal permit applications for development proposed: 1) on a blufftop parcel; or 2) on a site located in stability zone 2, 3, or 4 as indicated on the Slope Stability of the Bolinas Peninsula Study Area map which accompanies Wagner's 1977 report, "Geology for Planning, Western Marin County" (hereby incorporated by reference as part of this Development Code), shall include a complete geotechnical investigation which determines the retreat rate (or long-term annual average erosion rate) for the property on which development is proposed. The retreat rate shall be determined based upon an examination of the historic and projected rates of bluff retreat attributable to wave, wind and/or surface runoff erosion and to the extent feasible, take into account the hazards associated with strong seismic shaking and the risk of continued and accelerated sea level rise. The retreat rate shall be used to determine the appropriate blufftop setback as specified in Section 22.64.060.B.2 below. (Program C-EH-5.a. and 5.b)
- 3. Drainage plan for blufftop development.** Coastal permit applications for development proposed on a blufftop parcel shall include a drainage plan prepared by a civil engineer, which indicates how rainwater and irrigation runoff will be directed away from the top of the bluff or handled in a manner which prevents damage to the bluff by surface and percolating water. Blufftop landscaping shall be required to use drought tolerant native species with minimal irrigation. (Program C-EH-6.a)
- 4. Engineer report for shoreline protective devices.** Coastal permit applications for the construction or reconstruction of any shoreline protective device, including revetments, breakwaters, groins, seawalls, or other artificial structures for coastal erosion control shall include a report from a professional civil engineer or certified engineering geologist verifying that the device is necessary for coastal erosion control and explaining how it will perform its intended function and the extent to which it will meet the criteria and standards contained in Section 22.64.060.C.5 below. The report shall include an analysis of alternatives to a shoreline device that are capable of protecting existing threatened

structures from erosion including: no action, involvement in regional beach nourishment, and relocation of the threatened structure. In addition, the report shall include the following information:

- (a) For the shoreline in question: long term and seasonal erosion trends, the effects of accelerated sea level rise due to climate change, and the potential effects of infrequent storm events, such as a 100-year storm;
- (b) The amount of beach that will be covered by the shoreline protective device;
- (c) The amount of beach that will be lost through passive erosion over the life of the shoreline protective device;
- (d) Total lineal feet of shoreline protective devices within the littoral zone where the device is proposed;
- (e) The cumulative impact of added shoreline protective devices from the littoral cell within which the proposed device will be located; and
- (f) Provision for future maintenance of the shoreline protective device, for future removal of the shoreline protective device if and when it reaches the end of its economic or functional life, and for changes in the shoreline protective device if needed to respond to alterations in the development for which the device was installed. (Program C-EH-13.a)

5. **New development and fire safety.** Coastal Permit applications shall demonstrate that the new development meets all applicable fire safety standards.

B. Environmental Hazard standards.

- 1. **Blufftop setbacks.** Proposed structures, including accessory structures, shall be setback a sufficient distance from coastal bluffs to ensure that they will not be threatened by bluff retreat within their expected economic life (100 years) and will not require shoreline protection improvements per Land Use Plan Policy C-EH-5.
- 2. **Determination of bluff setbacks.** Adequate bluff setback distances will be determined based on the information provided in the geologic report required pursuant to Section 22.64.060.A.2 and the following setback formula (where 100 years represents the economic life of a structure and 1.5 represents a minimum safety factor):

$$\text{Setback (meters)} = 100 \text{ (years)} \times \text{Retreat Rate (meters/year)} \\ + \text{setback to achieve a slope stability Factor of Safety} \\ \text{of at least 1.5 (minimum factor of safety)}$$

- 3. **Shoreline access facilities on blufftop parcels.** Shoreline access facilities, such as stairways and ramps, may only be permitted per Land Use Plan Policy C-EH-7 and C-EH-16.
- 4. **Bolinas Bluff Erosion Zone setback exceptions and waivers.** Within established Bluff Erosion Zones on the Bolinas Mesa, no new construction shall be permitted on vacant lots. Residential additions no greater than 10 percent of the existing floor area or 120 square feet (whichever is greater) may be permitted on a one-time basis.

- 5. Criteria and design standards for shoreline protective devices.** Shoreline protective devices in the Coastal Zone are discouraged due to their visual impacts, obstruction of public access, interference with natural shoreline processes and water circulation, and effects on marine habitats and water quality. The construction or reconstruction of shoreline protective devices shall only be allowed subject to the criteria contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-EH-13 and the design standards contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-EH-14. Emergency permit applications for shoreline protective devices may be considered in compliance with Section 22.70.130 (Emergency Coastal Permits) consistent with the Land Use Plan Policy C-EH-21 and Program C-EH-21.a.
- 6. Accessory structures in hazardous areas.** Accessory structures on shoreline parcels shall be designed and constructed in conformance with Land Use Plan Policy C-EH-15.
- 7. Seismic safety standards.** Proposed structures shall meet the seismic safety standards of the Alquist-Priolo Act (Land Use Plan Policy C-EH-4).
- 8. Applicant's assumption of risk.** Applicants for development in hazardous areas shall be required to record a Liability Waiver per Land Use Plan Policy C-EH-3.
- 9. Creation of new parcels abutting coastal waters.** Creation of new parcels on lands abutting the ocean, bays, lagoons, or other coastal water bodies shall be prohibited unless the new parcel can be developed with structures that will not require a shoreline protective device during their economic life.
- 10. Maintenance of Major Vegetation.** Coastal Permit applications for the maintenance of major vegetation must meet criteria (a) below, and at least one of criteria (b) through (k) for removal.

 - (a) The major vegetation removal does not: 1) adversely affect any environmentally sensitive habitat areas; 2) adversely impact coastal waters; 3) adversely impact public views; and 4) conflict with conditions of approval of a prior coastal permit.
 - (b) The general health of the major vegetation is so poor due to disease, damage, or age that efforts to ensure its long-term health and survival are unlikely to be successful;
 - (c) The major vegetation is infected by a pathogen or attacked by insects that threaten surrounding major vegetation as determined by an arborist report or other qualified professional;
 - (d) The major vegetation is a potential public health and safety hazard due to risk of falling and its structural instability cannot be remedied;
 - (e) The major vegetation is a public nuisance by causing damage to improvements, such as building foundations, retaining walls, roadways/driveways, patios, sidewalks and decks, or interfering with the operation, repair or maintenance of public utilities;
 - (f) The major vegetation has been identified by a Fire Inspector as a fire hazard that requires removal;
 - (g) The major vegetation was planted for a commercial enterprise, such as a Christmas tree farm or orchard;

- (h) Prohibiting the removal of the major vegetation will conflict with CC&R's which existed at the time this Chapter was adopted;
- (i) The major vegetation is located on land which is zoned for agriculture (C-ARP or C-APZ) and is being used for commercial agricultural purposes;
- (j) The major vegetation removal is proposed by a public agency to provide for the routine management and maintenance of public land or to construct a fuel break.
- (k) The major vegetation is non-native and is not defined as a "protected and heritage tree" in Article VIII (Definitions);

22.64.080 – Water Resources

A. Application requirements.

1. **Drainage plans.** Coastal permit applications for development that would add or create a total of 10,000 square feet or more of impervious surface (collectively over the entire project site) or would alter drainage patterns, shall be accompanied by a preliminary drainage plan. The plan shall include existing and proposed drainage patterns and storm drain improvements for the site, all structures and impervious areas, and any other improvements. The plan must indicate the direction of surface runoff and method of on-site runoff dispersal for existing and proposed drainage channels or facilities. Draining to existing watercourses or detention basins may be allowed if negative impacts to biological resources, water quality, channel stability or flooding of surrounding properties can be avoided or if existing soil conditions do not allow infiltration. Hydrologic calculations may be required to determine whether there would be any additional surface run-off resulting from the development.
2. **Structural and/or treatment control facilities: monitoring and maintenance plans.** If structural and/or treatment control facilities are incorporated in a project, the applicant shall submit a monitoring and maintenance plan indicating how such facilities will be adequately maintained by the applicant and any subsequent property owner after construction is complete. (Policy C-WR-12)
3. **Site Plan – Post Construction Element.** At the discretion of the County based on the scale or potential water quality impacts of a proposed project, the applicant shall submit a site plan containing a Post-Construction Element. This plan shall detail how storm water and polluted runoff will be managed or mitigated following project construction, utilizing both source control and treatment control measures, and both structural and non-structural measures. (Policy C-WR-13)
4. **Grading plans.** Coastal permit applications for any cut, fill, or grading shall be accompanied by a preliminary grading plan that indicates existing and proposed contours across the building site and existing and proposed average lot slope. (Program C-WR-4.a)
5. **Geotechnical reports.** A geotechnical report may be required at the discretion of the Department of Public Works if proposed cut and fill slopes are determined to be steeper than is safe for the subject material or necessary for the intended use. (Policy C-WR-5)
6. **Erosion and sedimentation control plans.** An erosion and sedimentation control plan, subject to approval by the Department of Public Works, shall be required for development

of any site of 1 acre or more in size or, at the discretion of the Department of Public Works, for any site of less than 1 acre because of a high risk of erosion and sedimentation. (Policy C-WR-6)

- 7. Site Plan Contents – Construction Phase.** All projects that would add or create a total of 10,000 square feet or more of impervious surface (collectively over the entire project site), projects that may impact environmentally sensitive habitat (i.e. projects within, directly adjacent to or discharging directly to an environmentally sensitive area), county-defined high-impact projects or other projects that the county staff finds to be a threat to coastal water quality, shall require a Construction-Phase element shown on the site plan. The Construction-Phase element shall specify which interim Best Management Practices (BMPs) will be implemented to minimize erosion and sedimentation during construction and address potential construction runoff contamination with fuels, lubricants, cleaning agents and/or other potential construction-related pollutants or chemicals.

In the application and initial planning process, the applicant shall submit for review and approval a Construction-Phase element that shall include, at a minimum, a narrative report describing all interim erosion, sedimentation, and polluted runoff control BMPs to be implemented during construction, including the following where applicable:

- (a) Controls to be implemented on the amount and timing of grading;
- (b) BMPs to be implemented for staging, storage, and disposal of excavated materials;
- (c) Design specifications for treatment control BMPs, such as sedimentation basins;
- (d) Revegetation or landscaping plans for graded or disturbed areas;
- (e) Methods to manage affected onsite soils;
- (f) Other soil stabilization BMPs to be implemented;
- (g) Methods to infiltrate or treat stormwater prior to conveyance off-site during construction;
- (h) Methods to eliminate or reduce the discharge of other stormwater pollutants resulting from construction activities (e.g., paints, solvents, vehicle fluids, asphalt and cement compounds, and debris) into stormwater runoff;
- (i) Plans for the clean-up of spills and leaks;
- (j) BMPs to be implemented for staging, storage, and disposal of construction chemicals and materials;
- (k) Proposed methods for minimizing land disturbance activities, soil compaction, and disturbance of natural vegetation;
- (l) A site plan showing the location of all temporary erosion control measures; and
- (m) A schedule for installation and removal of the temporary erosion control measures.

B. Water quality standards.

1. **Water quality protection.** The quality of coastal waters shall be monitored, protected, and enhanced for the benefit of natural communities, human health, recreational users, and the local economy (Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-1).
 2. **Site design and source control measures.** Development shall meet the standards contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-2.
 3. **Drainage standards.** Development shall meet the standards contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-3.
 4. ~~**Detention and infiltration basins.** (*Deleted for consistency with deletion of WR-11, 12/1/11*)~~
 5. **Structural and/or treatment control facilities: proper maintenance.** Structural and/or treatment control facilities shall meet the requirements of Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-12.
 6. **High impact projects: design standards.** Development that has a high potential for generating pollutants (High Impact Projects) shall incorporate treatment control Best Management Practices (BMPs) or ensure that the requirements of the current NPDES Municipal Stormwater permit are met, whichever is stricter, to address the particular pollutants of concern, including the requirements of Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-14.
 7. **Construction Non-sediment Pollution.** Construction site practices shall be carried out consistent with Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-16.
 8. **Construction Phase Pollution.** The construction site shall be managed to prevent contact between runoff and chemicals, fuel and lubricants, cleansers, and other potentially harmful materials.
- C. Grading and excavation standards.**
1. **Site planning.** Development shall meet the standards contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-4.
 2. **Preservation of landforms and native vegetation.** Development shall meet the standards contained in Land Use Plan Policies C-WR-4 and C-WR-5.
 3. **Extent and timing of grading.** Development shall meet the standards contained in Land Use Plan Policies C-WR-6 and C-WR-7.
 4. **Erosion and sedimentation control.** Development shall meet the standards contained in Land Use Plan Policies C-WR-10 and C-WR-8.
 5. **Impervious surfaces, runoff control.** Development shall meet the standards contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-2.
 6. **Sediment basins during construction.** Development shall meet the requirements of Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-10.
 7. **Pollutants.** Pollutants, including chemicals, fuels and other harmful materials shall be collected and disposed of in an approved manner.

8. **Topsoil.** Development shall meet the requirements of Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-9.
9. **Removal of construction debris.** All debris shall be removed from the site upon the completion of the project.
10. **Erosion and Flood Control Facilities.** Consider placement of sediments collected by erosion and flood control facilities at appropriate points on the shoreline, consistent with Land Use Plan Policy C-WR-17.

22.64.100 – Community Design

A. Community Design standards.

1. **Compatible Design.** The height, scale, and design of new structures shall be compatible with the character of the surrounding natural or built environment per Land use Policy C-DES-1.
2. **Protection of visual resources.** Development shall be sited and designed to protect visual resources per Land Use Policy C-DES-2.
3. **Protection of ridgeline views.** New development proposed on or near visually prominent ridgelines shall be sited and designed per Land Use Policy C-DES-3.
4. **Height limits.** Structures in the Coastal Zone shall be limited to a maximum height of 25 feet with the exceptions provided for by Land Use Policy C-DES-4.
5. **New signs.** New signs shall be of a size, location, and appearance so as not to detract from scenic areas or views from public roads and other viewing points (Land Use Policy C-DES-5).
6. **Underground Utilities.** Utilities lines should be undergrounded per Land Use Policy C-DES-6.
7. **Minimized exterior lighting.** Exterior lighting shall be the minimum consistent with safety and shall be low wattage, hooded, and downcast to prevent glare (Land Use Policy C-DES-7).
8. **Protection of trees.** Structures and roads should be sited to avoid tree removal per Land Use Policy C-DES-8.
9. **Landscaping.** Required landscaping shall predominantly use native species of trees and plants and shall avoid using non-native, invasive trees and plants (Land Use Policy C-DES-9).
10. **Prohibition of Gated Communities.** The establishment of gated communities shall be prohibited (Land Use Policy C-DES-10).
11. **Minimization of fuel modification.** New development should be sited and designed to minimize the need for fuel modification per Land Use Policy C-DES-11.

22.64.110 – Community Development

A. Community development standards.

- ~~1. **Coastal dependent development** (*Deleted for consistency with deletion of Policy C-CD-1, 11/7/11*)~~
2. **Location of new development.** New development should be located within, next to, or in close proximity to developed areas with adequate public services and where it will not have significant adverse impacts, either individually or cumulatively, on environmental and natural resources, including coastal resources (Land Use Policy C-CD-2).
3. **Appropriate new development.** The type and intensity of new development, including land divisions, shall conform to the land use categories and density provisions of the LCP Land Use Maps. Allowable densities are stated as maximums and do not establish an entitlement to buildout potential (Land Use Policy C-CD-3).
4. **Non-conforming structures and uses.** Allow lawfully established non-conforming structures and uses to be maintained or continued in conformance with the requirements of Chapter 22.112.
5. **Development standards for Tomales Bay shoreline.** New construction along the shoreline of Tomales Bay shall be limited in height to 15 feet above grade except as provided for per Land Use Policy C-CD-6.
6. **Structures on public trust lands.** The construction of new residential dwellings shall not be permitted on public trust lands. Along the shoreline of Tomales Bay, existing structures on public trust lands may be rebuilt if damaged or destroyed by natural disaster per Land Use Policy C-CD-7.
7. **Shoreline Structures and Piers.** The location of piers and other recreational or commercial shoreline structures shall be limited per Land Use Policy C-CD-8 and public access to such structures shall be required per Land Use Policy C-CD-9.
8. **Subdivision of beachfront lots.** The subdivision of beachfront lots shall be restricted per Land Use Policy C-CD-10.
9. **Maintenance of village limit boundaries.** Village limit boundaries shall be set and maintained per Land Use Policy C-CD-11 and C-CD-12.
10. **Chain store operations.** Discourage the establishment of chain store operations that are not consistent with the existing character and scale of the surrounding community (Land Use Policy C-CD-13).
11. **Limit conversion of overnight visitor-serving enterprises.** Visitor-serving uses should remain available to the public on a space available basis; conversion of overnight accommodations into a more limited type of occupancy shall be discouraged (Land Use Policy C-CD-14).
12. **Residential character in villages.** Discourage the conversion of residential to commercial uses in coastal villages per Land Use Policy C-CD-15.
13. **Rural character of roadways.** The only areas to be considered for sidewalks, curbs, and similar roadway improvements shall be the downtown areas of Point Reyes Station, Stinson Beach, and Tomales (Land Use Policy C-CD-16).

~~14. Commercial development on Highway One.~~ *(Deleted for consistency with deletion of Policy C-CD-17, 9/19/11)*

15. Windbreaks. Discourage new wind breaks along Highway One to preserve coastal views. Consider the effects of proposed wind breaks at maturity on sunlight, coastal views, and traffic safety related to visibility (Land Use Policy C-CD-19).

16. Lighting for recreational use. Prohibit night lighting for privately-owned recreational facilities per Land Use Policy C-CD-20.

Other Implementing Actions:

Protection of open lands, existing communities and recreational opportunities. The County shall work with land owners, other agencies and nongovernmental organizations to preserve the rural character, agriculture, and open lands and protect existing communities and recreational opportunities in the Coastal Zone per Land Use Policy C-CD-4.

Visitor notification. Provide coastal visitors with real-time information of highway congestion and parking conditions in coastal communities before they commit themselves to Highway One. Use electronic signs located near Highway 101 or other appropriate locations, a regularly updated website, and other telecommunications methods (Land Use Policy C-CD-18).

22.64.120 – Energy

A. Energy efficiency standards.

- 1. Energy efficiency standards.** Complement coastal permit requirements with the application of Marin County Energy Efficiency Ordinance 3494 and Green Building Requirements to integrate energy efficiency and conservation, and renewable energy requirements into the development review and building permit process per Land Use Policy C-EN-1.
- 2. Renewable energy resource priority.** Utilize renewable energy resources and support appropriate renewable energy technologies per Land Use Policy C-EN-4.
- 3. Energy production facility impacts.** Energy production facilities shall be designed and constructed to minimize impacts to public health and coastal resources per Land Use Policy C-EN-5.
- 4. Energy and Industrial Development.** Major energy or industrial development, both on and offshore, shall not be permitted per Land Use Policy C-EN-6.

Other Implementing Actions:

Public information and education on energy efficiency. The County shall provide information, marketing, training, and education to support energy efficiency and conservation, and renewable resource use (Land Use Policy C-EN-2).

Incentives for energy efficiency. The County shall continue to offer incentives that encourage energy efficiency and conservation and renewable energy practices (Land Use Policy C-EN-3).

22.64.130 – Housing

A. Affordable housing standards.

1. **Protection of existing affordable housing.** Protect and provide affordable housing opportunities for very low, low, and moderate income households. The demolition of existing deed restricted very low, low, and moderate income housing is prohibited except as provided for per Land Use Policy C-HS-1.
2. **Density for affordable housing.** Allow the maximum range of density for deed-restricted housing developments that are affordable to extremely low, very low or low income households and that have access to adequate water and sewer services (Land Use Policy C-HS-2). Density bonuses for affordable housing mandated by state law shall be provided to the extent that such increases in density are consistent with the provisions of the LCP per Land Use Policy C- HS-9.
3. **Affordable housing requirement.** Residential developments in the Coastal Zone consisting of 2 or more units shall be required to provide 20 percent of the total number of units to be affordable by households of very low or low income or a proportional ‘in-lieu’ fee to increase affordable housing construction, consistent with the County’s inclusionary housing policy (Land Use Policy C-HS-3).
4. **Retention of small lot zoning.** Preserve small lot zoning (6,000 to 10,000 square feet) in Tomales, Point Reyes Station, and Olema for the purposes of provided housing opportunities at less expense than available in large-lot zones (Land Use Policy C-HS-4).
5. **Second units.** Enable the construction of well-designed second units in single-family and multifamily residential zoning districts consistent with Land Use Policy C-HS-5.

Other Implementing Actions:

Restrict short-term rental of primary or second units. Consider restricting the use of residential housing for short term vacation rentals. (Land Use Policy C-HS-6)

Williamson Act modifications to the Development Code. Allow farm owners in a designated agricultural preserve to subdivide up to 5 acres of the preserved land for the provision of agricultural worker housing per Land Use Policy C-HS-7.

Development of agricultural worker housing units in agricultural zones. Support policy changes that promote the development of agricultural worker units in agricultural zones (Land Use Policy C-HS-8).

22.64.140 – Public Facilities and Services

A. Public facility and service standards.

1. **Adequate public services.** Adequate public services (that is, water supply, on-site sewage disposal or sewer systems, and transportation, including public transit as well as road access and capacity if appropriate) shall be available prior to approving new development per Land Use Policy C-PFS-1.

2. **Expansion of public service.** Limit new or expanded roads, flood control project, utility services, and other public services facilities, whether publicly owned or not, to the minimum necessary to adequately serve planned development per Land Use Policy C-PFS-2).
3. **Formation of special districts.** Ensure that special districts are formed or expanded only where assessment for, and provision of, the service would not induce new development inconsistent with the policies of the LCP (Land Use Policy C-PFS-3).
4. **High-priority visitor-serving land uses.** In acting on any coastal permit for the extension or enlargement of community water or community sewage treatment facilities, determine that adequate treatment capacity is available and reserved in the system to serve VCR-and RCR-zoned property and other visitor-serving uses (Land Use Policy C-PFS-4).
5. **Community sewer systems.** New development within a village limit boundary shall connect to a public sewer system within 400 feet of the parcel per Land Use Policy, unless such connection is prohibited, physically impossible, or otherwise infeasible (Land Use Policy C-PFS-5).
6. **Sewage disposal systems and protection of water quality.** Require new and expanded sewage disposal systems to be designed, constructed, and maintained so as to protect the biological productivity and quality of coastal streams, wetlands, and other waters (Land Use Policy C-PFS-6).
7. **Adequately sized sewage disposal systems.** New and expanded sewage disposal systems shall be sized adequately to meet the needs of proposed development, including any changes to the intensity in use of an existing structure (Land Use Policy C-PFS-7).
8. **Sewage disposal system requirements for new lots.** All sewage disposal systems on newly created lots shall comply in all respects, without variance, with applicable County and state regulations (Land Use Policy C-PFS-8).
9. **Preference for on-site individual sewage disposal systems.** An individual sewage disposal system shall be located on the same parcel as the building or buildings it serves per Land Use Policy C-PFS-9.
10. **Adequate on-site sewage disposal systems for existing development.** Ensure that existing on-site sewage disposal systems function properly by complying with all rules and regulations of the Regional Water Quality Control Board, including any requirements adopted pursuant to AB885. Where repairs to existing systems are necessary, corrective actions shall be taken per Land Use Policy C-PFS-10.
11. **Alternative on-site sewage disposal systems.** Alternative on-site sewage disposal systems shall be considered and approved per Land Use Policy C-PFS-11.
12. **Limited use of off-site septic systems.** Allow construction of off-site individual or community septic systems only in compliance with Land Use Policy C-PFS-12.
13. **New water sources serving five or more parcels.** Applicants for new water wells or other sources serving 5 or more parcels shall demonstrate that no adverse impacts on coastal resources shall result per Land Use Policy C-PFS-13.

14. **Adequacy of water supply within water system service areas.** Development of individual domestic water wells or other individual water sources to serve new development in areas served by public or private water systems is prohibited except in limited cases per Land Use Policy C-PFS-14.
15. **Development of water sources including wells, streams and springs.** Coastal Permit approval is required for wells and borings unless otherwise exempt or categorically excluded per Land Use Policy C-PFS-15.
16. **Standards for water supply wells and other water sources.** Water supply wells and other water sources shall comply with the standards contained in Land Use Policy C-PFS-16.
17. **Conservation of water.** To minimize the generation of wastewater and to encourage the conservation of coastal water resources, the use of water saving devices as prescribed by the local water provider shall be required in all new development (Land Use Policy C-PFS-17).
18. **Desalination facilities.** Due to the Coastal Zone's unique natural resources and recreational opportunities of nationwide significance, development of desalination facilities shall be prohibited with the exception of treatment of existing surface or ground water supplies for purposes of maintaining water quality (Land Use Policy C-PFS-18).
19. **Telecommunications facilities.** Ensure through siting, co-location, "stealth" design, and other measures that telecommunications facilities are designed and constructed to minimize impacts on coastal views, community character, natural resources, wildlife, and public safety (Land Use Policy C-PFS-19).

22.64.150 – Transportation

A. Transportation standards.

1. **Roads in the Coastal Zone.** The motorized vehicular capacity of roads in the Coastal Zone shall be limited per Land Use Policy C-TR-1.
2. **Scenic quality of Highway One.** The scenic quality of Highway One shall be maintained per Land Use Policy C-TR-2).
3. **New bicycle and pedestrian facilities.** New development shall be encouraged or required to provide new bicycle and pedestrian facilities per Land Use Policy C-TR-6. Where appropriate, the installation of bike racks, lockers and other bike storage facilities shall be encouraged per Land Use Policy C-TR-7.
4. **Expansion of the Countywide Trail System.** Acquire additional trails to complete the proposed countywide trail system, providing access to or between public lands and enhancing public trail use opportunities for all user groups, including multi-use trails, as appropriate (Land Use Policy C-TR-8).

Other Implementing Actions:

Impacts to Highway One from sea level rise. The County shall consult with Caltrans to minimize impacts of sea level rise on Highway One per Land Use Policy C-TR-3)

Expansion of bicycle and pedestrian access. Bicycle and pedestrian facilities and access should be expanded per Land Use Policy C-TR-4 and C-TR-5.

Bikeways on National Park Service lands. The County shall consult with the National Park Service regarding the feasibility of bikeways on county maintained roads within NPS park lands (Land Use Policy C-TR-9).

Adequate and affordable public transportation. Provide efficient, affordable public transportation service in and to the Coastal Zone and support expansion of alternative modes of transportation (Land Use Policy C-TR-10).

Reduction of visitor traffic congestion in West Marin. The County shall consult with Caltrans, local, state, and federal parkland agencies, and local communities to provide alternatives to private automobile travel to recreational areas in the Coastal Zone (Land Use Policy C-TR-11).

Consultation with regional, state, and federal agencies. The County shall consult with nearby counties, state and federal agencies, and special districts regarding regional land use and transportation planning. Encourage transit providers to minimize service gaps and link services per Land Use Policy C-TR-12.

22.64.160 – Historical and Archaeological Resources

A. Application requirements.

- 1. Archaeological Resource Survey.** Coastal permit applications for development proposed within an area of known or likely archaeological or paleontological significance shall include a field survey by a state-qualified archaeologist recommended by the Sacred Sites Protection Committee of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria or by a qualified paleontologist which determines the extent of archaeological or paleontological resources on the site and evaluates the project's potential impacts to those resources. Where adverse impacts are possible, the report shall identify reasonable mitigation measures, including avoidance and permanent protection as open space, if feasible. (Land Use Plan Policy C-HAR-2)

B. Historical and Archaeological Resource standards.

- 1. Implementation of mitigation measures.** Implement as appropriate mitigation measures, including avoidance and permanent protection as open space, if feasible, as recommended in the field survey prepared per Land Use Plan Policy C-HAR-2.
- 2. Monitoring of construction activities on archaeological sites.** New development on sites identified as archaeologically sensitive shall be monitored per Land Use Plan Policy C-HAR-3.
- 3. Structures of special character and visitor appeal.** Preserve and restore structures with special character and visitor appeal in coastal communities (Land Use Plan Policy C-HAR-4).
- 4. Development affecting structures and areas of special character and visitor appeal.** Coastal Permit applications for projects that involve pre-1930 buildings or are located in

areas designated as having special character and visitor appeal, including historic areas, shall be evaluated per Land Use Plan Policy C-HAR-5.

5. **Alterations and additions to structures of special character and visitor appeal.** Applications for substantial alterations or additions to any structure built prior to 1930 shall be evaluated per Land Use Plan Policy C-HAR-6.
6. **Proposed demolition of structures of special character and visitor appeal.** Proposed demolition of any structure built prior to 1930 shall be evaluated and processed per Land Use Plan Policy C-HAR-7.
7. **Villages with special character and visitor appeal.** New construction in mapped areas having special character and visitor appeal, including historic areas shall comply with Land Use Plan Policy C-HAR-8.

22.64.170 – Parks, Recreation, and Visitor-Serving Uses

A. Parks and Recreation and Visitor-Serving Use standards.

1. **Coastal recreation opportunities.** The development of visitor-serving and commercial recreation facilities shall have priority over residential or general commercial development per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-1.
2. **Compatible commercial recreation facilities.** New visitor-serving and commercial development shall be sited and designed per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-2).
3. **Mixed uses in coastal village commercial/residential zones.** A mixture of residential and commercial uses shall be permitted in the C-VCR zoning district per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-3).
4. **Balance of visitor-serving and local-serving facilities.** Support a level of local-serving facilities such that an adequate infrastructure can be maintained to ensure the health, vitality, and survival of the visitor-serving segment of the coastal economy (Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-4).
5. **Small-scale tourist facilities.** Small-scale tourist-oriented businesses, rather than large tourist facilities, shall be permitted per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-5.
6. **Bed and breakfast inns.** Support bed and breakfast facilities in the Coastal Zone as a means of providing visitor accommodations per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-6.
7. **Lower-cost recreational facilities.** Lower cost visitor and recreational facilities shall be protected and encouraged per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-7.
8. **Appropriate public recreation opportunities.** Public recreational development shall be undertaken in a manner which preserves the unique qualities of Marin's coast per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-8.
9. **Appropriate uses of federal parks.** Uses and facilities within federal parklands should comply with Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-10.

- 10. State parks.** Support management of Tomales Bay State Park consistent with the adopted General Plan per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-11.
- 11. County parks in the Coastal Zone.** Continue to operate existing Marin County park facilities in the Coastal Zone per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-12 and support future acquisition of park areas per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-13.
- 12. California Coastal Trail.** Support completion of the California Coastal Trail through Marin County per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-14.
- 13. Commercial fishing and recreational boating.** Support and protect commercial fishing and recreational boating on Tomales Bay per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-15
- 14 Standards for new boating facilities.** The development of new boating facilities on Tomales Bay shall comply with the standards contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-16.

Other Implementing Actions:

Coordination with federal and state park agencies. Encourage coordination between the County and federal and state parks agencies in park planning and maintenance per Land Use Plan Policy C-PK-9.

22.64.180 – Public Coastal Access

A. Application requirements.

- 1. Site Plan.** Coastal permit applications for development on property located between the shoreline and the first public road shall include a site plan showing the location of the property and proposed development in relation to the shoreline, tidelands, submerged lands or public trust lands. Any evidence of historic public use should also be indicated.

B. Public Coastal Access standards.

- 1. Public coastal access in new developments.** New development located between the shoreline and the first public road shall be evaluated for impacts on public access to the coast per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-2. Where a nexus exists, the dedication of a lateral, vertical and/or bluff top accessway shall be required per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-9, unless Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-3 provides an exemption.
- 2. Direct dedication of public coastal access.** If feasible, direct dedication of an easement or fee title interest for a required coastal accessway is preferred per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-4.
- 3. Acquisition of new public coastal accessways.** The acquisition of additional public coastal accessways shall be pursued through available means per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-6.
- 4. Protection of prescriptive rights.** New development shall be evaluated to ensure that it does not interfere with the public's right of access to the sea where acquired through historic use per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-7.

5. **Bolinas Mesa.** Public use of the two access trails across Bolinas Mesa to the RCA beach and of the RCA beach area itself shall be protected per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-8.
6. **Impacts of public coastal accessways on their surroundings.** Coastal accessways and their support facilities shall be sited and designed to avoid impacts to environmental resources, agriculture, and surrounding neighbors per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-10 and C-PA-11.
7. **Public coastal accessway maintenance and liability agreements.** Maintenance and liability responsibilities for coastal accessways shall conform to Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-12.
8. **Accessibility of public coastal accessways.** New public coastal accessways shall comply with California Title 24 and be accessible to persons with disabilities to the maximum extent feasible (Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-13).
9. **Impacts of new development on public coastal accessways.** New development shall be sited and designed to avoid impacts to users of coastal access and recreation areas per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-15.
10. **Parking, signage, and support facilities at public coastal accessways.** Where appropriate and feasible, parking, signage, and support facilities should be provided in conjunction with public coastal accessways per Land Use Policy C-PA-18 and C-PA-19. Proposals to restrict public parking near beach access points or parklands should be evaluated per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-20.
11. **Shoreline protection structures near public coastal accessways.** The construction of shoreline protection structures should maintain existing shoreline access per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-21.

Other Implementing Actions:

Acceptance of offers to dedicate public coastal accessways. The County shall accept offers to dedicate easements or fee title interests in coastal accessways per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-5.

Consultation with appropriate land management agencies. Proposals for new development adjacent to existing public coastal accessways shall be referred to appropriate land management agencies per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-14.

Protection of existing public coastal accessways. Maintain existing public accessways open to the public per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-16.

Restoration of public coastal access areas. Degraded public access areas should be restored by the County per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-17.

Protections against encroachments. The County will seek to protect against private encroachments on public coastal accessways per Land Use Plan Policy C-PA-22.

CHAPTER 22.65 – COASTAL ZONE PLANNED DISTRICT DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS

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22.65.010 – Purpose of Chapter

- A. This chapter provides detailed site planning, development, and land use standards for the planned zoning districts within the Coastal Zone. These districts include C-APZ, C-ARP, C-RSP, C-RSPS, C-RMP, C-CP, C-RMPC, and C-RCR.
- B. These standards are intended to ensure that proposed development is designed and constructed in a manner compatible with, and sensitive to, the important environmental characteristics and visual features of lands designated within coastal planned zoning districts.

22.65.020 – Applicability of Planned District Standards

- A. **Compliance with standards required.** Proposed development and new land uses shall be designed and constructed in conformity with:
 1. All standards and requirements established through the approval of a Coastal Permit;
 2. Any provisions of this Chapter applicable to a specific planned coastal zoning district;
 3. The provisions of Chapter 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards); and
 4. Any provisions of Sections 22.62.060 (Coastal Agricultural and Resource Related Districts), 22.62.070 (Coastal Residential Districts), or 22.62.080 (Coastal Commercial and Mixed-Use Districts).

22.65.030 – Planned District General Development Standards

A. Access:

1. **Roads.** Road designs shall minimize road length and maximize the amount of undivided agricultural land, except that longer road extensions may be necessary in highly visible areas in order to avoid or minimize other impacts.

Roads shall be generally designed with not more than 18 feet pavement width, depending on safety requirements. A minimum of 16 feet may be permitted in certain very low use

areas, as provided in the improvement standards established in compliance with Sections 24.04.020 et seq. of the County Code (Roads).

2. **Driveways.** Driveways shall be designed in compliance with Sections 24.04.240 et seq. of the County Code (Driveways). Driveway length shall be minimized, consistent with the clustering requirements of Subsection D.1 below (Building Location - Clustering Requirement). Applicants are encouraged, to the extent permitted by applicable laws, to utilize pervious surface materials (e.g., turfblock, porous asphalt and gravel) for new or modified driveways to reduce the area of impervious surface and the extent of storm water runoff.

- B. Fire protection.** In areas without water systems, on-site water storage capacity may be required for each single-family dwelling, subject to the requirements of the County Fire Department or local Fire Protection District, as applicable. Where feasible, the design of planned or cluster developments should include provisions for common water storage facilities and distribution systems. Maintenance of these water storage facilities and distribution systems should be performed according to a plan prepared by the applicant and approved by the County Fire Department or local Fire Protection District, as applicable.

C. Building design:

1. Height limits for structures:

- (a) The height limit is 25 feet for primary structures and 15 feet for accessory structures. (See also height limit provisions for the Seadrift Subdivision in Section 22.65.070.D and the shoreline of Tomales Bay in Sections 22.66.080.D and 22.66.090.B).
- (b) The floor level of the first floor shall not exceed 10 feet above natural grade at the lowest corner, unless otherwise required by FEMA standards.
- (c) Structures located within the ridgeline areas pursuant to Subsection D.2 below shall be limited to a maximum height of 18 feet.
- (d) Where allowed, agricultural structures in an agricultural zone sited in compliance with the requirements of Subsection D.2 below may exceed the above height limits if determined to have no significant visual or resource impacts.
- (e) These requirements may be waived by the Director in unusual circumstances resulting from an irregular site characteristic (e.g., location, lot shape/size, topography) where the waiver will not result in a structure that will impinge significantly on sun and light exposure, views, vistas, and privacy of adjacent properties and rights-of-way.

2. **Materials and colors.** Building materials and colors should emphasize earth tones, and be chosen to blend into the natural and built environment unobtrusively, to the greatest extent possible. Traditional colors for agricultural structures (red, whitewash, etc.) are appropriate for these structures in agricultural zoning districts.

D. Building location:

1. **Clustering requirement.** Structures shall be clustered in a geologically stable, accessible location on the site where their visual prominence is minimized, consistent with needs for privacy. Clustering is especially important on open grassy hillsides; however, a greater scattering of buildings may be preferable on wooded hillsides to save trees. The

prominence of construction shall be minimized by placing buildings so that they will be screened by existing vegetation, rock outcroppings or depressions in topography.

In the C-APZ and C-ARP agricultural zones, non-agricultural development shall also be clustered or sited to retain the maximum amount of agricultural land and minimize possible conflicts with existing or possible future agricultural use. Non-agricultural development, including division of agricultural lands, shall only be allowed upon demonstration that long-term productivity of agricultural lands would be maintained and enhanced as a result of such development. Non-agricultural development shall be placed in one or more groups on a total of no more than five percent of the gross acreage, to the extent feasible, with the remaining acreage retained in or available for agricultural production or open space. Proposed development shall be located close to existing roads, and shall not require new road construction or improvements resulting in significant impacts on agriculture, significant vegetation, significant scenic resources, or natural topography of the site. Proposed development shall be sited to minimize impacts on scenic resources, wildlife habitat and streams, and adjacent agricultural operations. Any new parcels created shall have building envelopes outside any designated scenic protection area.

2. **Development near ridgelines.** No construction shall occur on top of, or within 300 feet horizontally, or within 100 feet vertically, of visually prominent ridgelines, whichever is more restrictive, unless no other suitable locations are available on the site or the lot is located substantially within the ridgeline area as defined herein. If structures must be placed within this restricted area because of site constraints or because siting the development outside of the ridgeline area will result in greater visual or environmental impacts, they shall be in locations that are the least visible from public viewing areas.
 3. **Energy conservation.** Solar access shall be considered in the location, design, height and setbacks of all structures. Generally, structures should be oriented in a north/south fashion with the majority of glazing on the south wall or walls of the buildings.
 4. **Noise mitigation.** Noise impacts on residents in nearby areas shall be minimized through the placement of buildings, recreation areas, roads and landscaping.
- E. Land Division of Agricultural Lands.** Land divisions affecting agricultural lands shall be designed consistent with the requirements of this Article. In considering divisions of agricultural lands in the Coastal Zone, the County may approve fewer parcels than the maximum number of parcels allowed by the Development Code, based on site characteristics such as topography, soil, water availability, environmental constraints and the capacity to sustain viable agricultural operations.
- F. Landscaping.** Introduced landscaping shall be designed to minimally disturb natural areas, and shall be compatible with the native plant setting. Landscaping plans shall be prepared with consideration for fire protection, solar access, the use of native and drought tolerant species, and minimal water use. Planting should not block scenic views from adjacent properties or disturb wildlife trails.
- G. Open space areas:**
1. **Dedication required.** Land to be preserved as open space may be dedicated by fee title to the County or an agency or organization designated by the County before issuance of any construction permit or may remain in private ownership with appropriate scenic and/or open space easements or other encumbrances acceptable to the County, and the County

may require reasonable public access across lands remaining in private ownership, consistent with federal and state law.

2. **Maintenance.** The County or other designated agency or organization will maintain all open space lands accepted in fee title, as well as public access and trail easements across private property. Where open space lands remain in private ownership with scenic easements, these lands shall be maintained in compliance with the adopted policies of the Marin County Open Space District and may require the creation of a homeowners' association or other organization to maintain private open space lands where appropriate.
3. **Open space uses.** Uses in open space areas shall be in compliance with policies of the Marin County Open Space District. Generally, uses shall have no or minimal impact on the natural environment. Pedestrian and equestrian access shall be provided where possible and reasonable. The intent is to serve the people in adjacent communities, but not attract large numbers of visitors from other areas.

H. Site preparation:

1. **Grading.** Grading shall occur in compliance with Chapter 23.08 of the County Code (Excavating, Grading and Filling), but shall be held to a minimum. Every reasonable effort shall be made to retain the natural features of the land: skylines and ridgetops, rolling land forms, knolls, native vegetation, trees, rock outcroppings, and watercourses. Where grading is required, it shall not create flat planes and sharp angles of intersection with natural terrain. Slopes shall be rounded and contoured to blend with existing topography.
 2. **Drainage.** The areas adjacent to creeks shall be kept as much as possible in their natural state. All construction shall ensure drainage into the natural watershed in a manner that will avoid significant erosion or damage to adjacent properties. Impervious surfaces shall be minimized. At major creek crossings, bridges should be utilized instead of culverts, wherever possible.
 3. **Trees and vegetation.** Every effort shall be made to avoid tree removal, and changes or construction that would cause the death of existing trees, rare plant communities, and wildlife habitats.
 4. **Fire hazards.** Development shall be permitted in areas subject to wildfire threat only where the review authority determines there are good access roads, and adequate water supply, and vegetation management plans are required and adopted.
 5. **Geologic hazards.** Construction shall not be permitted on identified seismic or geologic hazards, including slides, natural springs, identified fault zones, or on bay mud, without approval from the Department of Public Works, based on acceptable soils and geologic reports.
 6. **Watershed areas.** All projects within water district watershed areas shall be referred to the appropriate district for review and comment. Damaging impoundments of water shall be avoided.
- I. **Utilities.** In ridge land areas, street lights shall be of low level intensity and low in profile. In all areas, power and telephone lines shall be underground where feasible.

22.65.040 – C-APZ Zoning District Standards

- A. Purpose.** This Section provides additional development standards for the C-APZ zoning district that are to preserve productive lands for agricultural use, and ensure that development is accessory and incidental to, in support of, and compatible with agricultural uses.
- B. Applicability.** The requirements of this Section apply to proposed development in addition to the standards established by Section 22.65.030 (Planned District General Development Standards) and Chapter 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards), and all other applicable provisions of this Development Code.
- C. Development standards.** Development permits in the C-APZ district shall also be subject to the following standards and requirements in addition to section 22.65.030:

1. Standards for agricultural uses:

- a. Permitted development shall maintain continued agricultural use, and contribute to agricultural viability.
- b. Development shall be permitted only where adequate water supply, sewage disposal, road access and capacity and other public services are available to support the proposed development after provision has been made for existing and continued agricultural operations. Water diversions or use for a proposed development shall not adversely impact stream or wetland habitats, have significant effects on groundwater resources, or significantly reduce freshwater inflows to water bodies including Tomales Bay, either individually or cumulatively.
- c. Permitted development shall have no significant adverse impacts on environmental quality or natural habitats, and shall meet all other applicable policies, consistent with the LCP.

2. Standards for Non-Agricultural Uses

Non-agricultural uses, including division of agricultural lands or construction of two or more dwelling units (excluding agricultural worker or intergenerational housing) shall meet the requirements of Section 22.65.040C above and the following additional requirements:

- a. **Conservation easements.** Consistent with state and federal laws, the approval of non-agricultural uses, a subdivision, or construction of two or more dwelling units, excluding agricultural worker and intergenerational housing, shall include measures for the long-term preservation of lands proposed or required to remain undeveloped. Preservation shall be accomplished by permanent conservation easements or other encumbrances acceptable to the County. Only agricultural uses shall be allowed under these encumbrances. In addition, the County shall require the execution of a covenant prohibiting further subdivision of parcels created in compliance with this Section and Article VI (Subdivisions), so that each is retained as a single unit.
- b. **Agricultural Production and Stewardship Plans.** The creation of a homeowner's association or other organization and/or the submission of an Agricultural Production and Stewardship Plan (APSP) may be required to provide for the proper use and management of agricultural lands, and their availability for lease, and/or for the maintenance of community roads or mutual water systems. The Director may waive

the requirement for an APSP for a project involving an existing commercial agricultural production operation or an existing commercial agricultural property.

- (1) The purpose of an Agricultural Production and Stewardship Plan prepared and submitted for land division or for residential or other non-agricultural development of C-APZ lands is to ensure that long-term agricultural productivity will occur and will substantially contribute to Marin's agricultural industry. Such a plan shall clearly identify and describe existing and planned agricultural uses for the property, explain in detail their implementation, identify on-site resources and agricultural infrastructure, identify product markets and processing facilities (if appropriate), and demonstrate how the planned agricultural uses substantially contribute to Marin's agricultural industry. An APSP shall provide evidence that at least 95% of the land will remain in agricultural production or natural resource protection and shall identify stewardship activities to be undertaken to protect agriculture and natural resources. An APSP shall be prepared by qualified professionals with appropriate expertise in agriculture, land stewardship, range management, and natural resource protection. The approval of a development proposal that includes an APSP shall include conditions ensuring the proper, long-term implementation of the plan.
 - (2) The requirement for an Agricultural Production and Stewardship Plan shall not apply to agricultural worker housing or to permitted intergenerational homes and may be waived for residences and residential accessory buildings or structures to be occupied or used by the property owner(s) or lessee who is directly engaged in the production on the property of agricultural commodities for commercial purposes. It may also be waived for non-agricultural land uses when the County finds that the proposal will enhance current or future agricultural use of the property and will not convert the property to primarily residential or other non-agricultural use, as evidenced by such factors as bona fide commercial agricultural production on the property, the applicant's history and experience in production agriculture, and the fact that agricultural infrastructure (such as fencing, processing facilities, marketing mechanisms, agricultural worker housing, or agricultural land leasing opportunities) has been established or will be enhanced.
 - (3) Projects subject to the potential requirement of preparing an Agricultural Production and Stewardship Plan should be referred to such individuals or groups with agricultural expertise as appropriate for analysis and a recommendation. Such individuals or groups should also be requested to periodically review and evaluate the effectiveness of the APSP program.
- c. **Required findings.** Review and approval of land use permits for non-agricultural development including land divisions and determinations of allowed density in the C-APZ zoning district, shall be subject to the following findings, in addition to others required by this Article:
1. The proposed development is necessary because the agricultural use of the property is no longer feasible. The purpose of this standard is to permit agricultural landowners who face economic hardship to demonstrate how development on a portion of their land would ease the hardship and enhance agricultural operations on the remainder of the property.
 2. The proposed development will not conflict with the continuation or initiation of agricultural uses on the portion of the property that is not proposed for

development, on adjacent parcels, or on other agricultural parcels within one mile of the perimeter of the proposed development.

3. Appropriate public agencies are able to provide necessary services (fire protection, police protection, schools, etc.) to serve the proposed development without extending urban services.
- d. Transfer of development rights (TDR).** Proposed development within the C-APZ district may use the TDR provisions of Chapter 22.34 (Transfer of Development Rights).

22.65.050 – C-ARP Zoning District Standards

- A. Purpose.** This Section provides development standards for the C-ARP zoning district that are to preserve productive lands for agricultural use through the clustering of allowed development.
- B. Applicability.** Proposed development shall comply with the provisions of Section 22.65.030 (Planned District General Development Standards), and Chapter 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards).
- C. Subdivision requirements.** Subdivisions of small agricultural holdings within the C-ARP zoning district shall conform to the following standards:
1. Subdivision applications shall include information demonstrating to the Director that the design of proposed parcels provides the maximum feasible concentration of clustering.
 2. Clustered development shall be located both to provide for the retention of the maximum amount of land in agricultural use and to protect important wildlife habitat areas. Development clusters shall also be located to maintain the visual resources and environmentally sensitive areas of the site and surrounding areas.
 3. Open space easements or other restrictions shall be required to designate intended use and restrictions on the property being subdivided.
- D. Agricultural and open space uses.** Agricultural uses shall be encouraged in the C-ARP zoning district.
1. As part of the Coastal Permit review process, usable agricultural land should be identified and efforts made to preserve and/or promote its use. Agricultural land not presently in production may be preserved as undeveloped private open space to be made available on a lease basis in the future for compatible agricultural uses. The primary intent shall be to preserve open lands for agricultural use, not to provide open space/recreational land uses that will interfere or be in conflict with agricultural operations.
 2. Lands to be preserved for agriculture and/or open space use may require the creation of a homeowners' association or other organization for their maintenance.
 3. The nature and intensity of large scale agricultural uses should be described in the form of an Agricultural Production and Stewardship Plan (APSP). The APSP should consider

intensity of grazing, runoff protection, chemical and fertilizer use and, in order to preserve agricultural land practices, separation from existing or proposed residential uses.

4. In some cases, the County may require reasonable public access across those lands remaining in private ownership. Pedestrian and/or equestrian access shall be provided where consistent with adopted County and coastal plans, where consistent with federal and state law, where not in conflict with agricultural uses, and where liability issues have been resolved. Public access for pedestrian and/or equestrian purposes may only be required as a condition of plan approval.

22.65.060 – C-RSP Zoning District Standards

- A. **Purpose.** This Section provides development standards for the C-RSP zoning district that are intended allow for site planning with careful consideration to sensitive site characteristics.
- B. **Applicability.** Proposed development and new land uses shall comply with the provisions of Section 22.65.030 (Planned District General Development Standards), and Chapter 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards).
- C. **C-RSP zoning district height limit - Tomales Bay.** New residential construction on the shoreline of Tomales Bay shall be limited in height to 15 feet. Additional height may be permitted where the Director determines, based on topography, vegetation or character of existing development, that a higher structure would not create additional interference with coastal views either to, along, or from the water.

22.65.070 – C-RSPS Zoning District Standards (Seadrift Subdivision)

- A. **Purpose.** This Section provides development standards for the C-RSPS zoning district (Seadrift Subdivision) that provide for site planning with careful consideration to sensitive site characteristics.
- B. **Applicability.** Proposed development and new land uses shall comply with the provisions of Section 22.65.030 (Planned District General Development Standards) and Chapter 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards).
- C. **Ocean setbacks.** On those lots fronting the ocean and south of Seadrift Road, no development shall be located seaward of the building setback line as shown on the map of Seadrift Subdivision Number One, RM, Bk. 6, Pg. 92 and Seadrift Subdivision Number Two, RM, Bk. 9, Pg. 62, and as described in the subdivision's covenants, conditions and restrictions in effect as of June 19, 1981 (Ordinance 2637).
- D. **Height limit.** Development on all lots in Seadrift shall be limited to a maximum height as follows:
 1. In Seadrift Subdivision One (with the exception of lots 01 through 03) and Two, and lots 01 and 02 of Parcel 1 in the Lands of Sidney J. Hendrick, finished floor elevations shall not exceed 19.14 feet above NAVD (North American Vertical Datum), except on those portions of lots or parcels where the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) requires minimum finished floor elevations to be set at a higher level. In the areas of lots or parcels where FEMA requires minimum finished floor elevations to be set at levels higher than 19.14 feet above NAVD, minimum floor elevations shall comply with FEMA requirements. The height of any structure shall not exceed 34.14 feet above NAVD,

provided that in those portions of lots and parcels where FEMA requires minimum finished floor elevations to be set at a level higher than 19.14 feet above NAVD, the height of any structure shall not be greater than 15 feet above the level of the minimum finished floor elevation required by FEMA.

2. In Seadrift Lagoon Subdivisions One and Two, Seadrift Subdivision Three, Norman's Seadrift Subdivisions, and Lots 01 through 03 in Seadrift Subdivision One, finished floor elevation shall not exceed 14.14 feet above NAVD. Total height of a structure shall not exceed 29.14 feet above NAVD.

E. Public access requirements. Public access within the Seadrift Subdivision and on the ocean beach adjacent to Seadrift shall comply with the provisions of the March 16, 1994 Settlement Agreement between the Seadrift Association and the County of Marin, et al., in Kelley et al. v. California Coastal Commission, Marin County Superior Court Case No. 152998, and as set forth in that certain Deed of Open Space and Limited Pedestrian Easement and Declarations of Restrictions dated November 1, 1985, and recorded March 26, 1986, Marin County Recorder's Office.

CHAPTER 22.66 – COASTAL ZONE COMMUNITY STANDARDS

Sections:

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- 22.66.090 – East Shore Community Standards
- 22.66.100 – Tomales Community Standards
- 22.66.110 – Dillon Beach Community Standards

22.66.010 – Purpose of Chapter

This Chapter provides development standards for specific communities within the Coastal Zone, where the preservation of unique community character requires standards for development that differ from the general coastal zoning district requirements of this Article.

22.66.020 – Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to proposed development and new land uses in addition to the general site planning standards for the coastal zoning districts in Chapter 22.64 (Coastal Zone Development and Resource Management Standards) and all other applicable provisions of this Development Code. In the event of any perceived conflict between the requirements of this Chapter and any other provisions of this Development Code, this Chapter shall control.

22.66.030 – Muir Beach Community Standards

- A. Community character.** Maintain the small-scale character of Muir Beach as a primarily residential community with recreational, small-scale visitor-serving and limited agricultural use (Land Use Policy C-MB-1).

22.66.040 – Stinson Beach Community Standards

- A. Community character.** Maintain the existing character of residential, small-scale commercial and visitor-serving recreational development in Stinson Beach (Land Use Policy C-SB-1).
- B. Limited access in Seadrift.** Allow only limited public access across the open space area generally located north of Dipsea Road and adjacent to Bolinas Lagoon in the Seadrift Subdivision to protect wildlife habitat, subject to the Deed of an Open Space and Limited Pedestrian Easement and Declaration of Restrictions as recorded March 26, 1986 as Instrument No. 86-15531. This area includes parcels 195-070-35 and 36; 195-080-29; 195-090-44; 195-320-62 and 78; and 195-340-71, 72, and 73 (Land Use Plan Policy C-SB-2).
- C. Density and location of development in Seadrift.** Development within the Seadrift Subdivision shall be subject to the standards contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-SB-3.

- D. Easkoot Creek.** Easkoot Creek shall be restored, as feasible, to improve habitat and support natural processes (Land Use Plan Policy C-SB-4).
- ~~**E. Camping and hostel facilities.** (Removed for consistency with deletion of Policy C-SB-5, 9/19/11)~~
- F. Height limit in Highlands Subdivision.** In the Highlands Subdivision of Stinson Beach, the maximum height shall be no more than seventeen (17) feet per Land Use Plan Policy C-DES-4.
- G. Height measurement in Seadrift Subdivision.** In FEMA special flood hazard (V) zones within the Seadrift Subdivision, the maximum building height of 15 feet shall be measured from the minimum floor elevation required by the flood hazard zone designation per Land Use Plan Policies C-DES-4 and C-EH-11.
- H. Stinson Beach dune and beach areas.** Development of shorefront lots within the Stinson Beach and Seadrift areas shall be limited per Land Use Plan Policy C-BIO-9.
- I. R-2 zoning.** Existing R-2 zoning in Stinson Beach shall be maintained per Land Use Plan Policy C-SB-6.
- J. Repair or Replacement of Structures.** The repair or replacement of existing duplex residential structures shall be permitted per Land Use Plan Policy C-SB-7.

22.66.050 – Bolinas Community Standards

- A. Community character.** Maintain the existing character of small-scale residential, commercial, and agricultural uses in Bolinas (Land Use Plan Policy C-BOL-1).
- ~~**B. C-RCR zoning district development standards** (Removed for consistency with deletion of Policy C-BOL-2, 9/19/11)~~
- C. New development on the Bolinas Gridded Mesa.** New construction and the redevelopment and rehabilitation of existing structures on the Bolinas Mesa shall be permitted in accordance with the policies of the Bolinas Gridded Mesa Plan which has been certified by the California Coastal Commission (Land Use Plan Policy C-BOL-3).

22.66.060 – Olema Community Standards

- A. Community character.** Maintain Olema's existing mix of residential, commercial, and open space land uses and the small-scale, historic community character. The impacts of future development on the hillside area of Olema shall be minimized through application of the design standards contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-OL-1.

22.66.070 – Point Reyes Station Community Standards

- A. Community character.** Maintain the existing mix of residential and small-scale commercial development and the small-scale, historic community character in Point Reyes Station (Land Use Plan Policy C-PRS-1).

- B. Commercial infill.** Commercial infill development should be promoted within and adjacent to existing commercial uses per Land Use Plan Policy C-PRS-2.
- C. Visitor-serving and commercial facilities.** The development of additional visitor-serving and commercial facilities, especially overnight accommodations, shall be encouraged per Land Use Plan Policy C-PRS-3.
- D. Junction of Highway One and Point Reyes Petaluma Road (APN 119-240-55).** The development of APN 119-240-55 shall comply with standards contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-PRS-4.
- E. New residential development in Point Reyes station.** New residential development in Point Reyes Station shall comply with the building height, building size, and landscaping criteria specified in Land Use Plan Policy C-PRS-5.
- F. Lighting.** Exterior lighting shall comply with Land Use Plan Policy C-PRS-6.
- G. Point Reyes Affordable Homes Project.** Development of the 18.59 acre property consisting of Assessor's parcels 119-260-02 through -06 (formerly 119-240-45) and 119-240-02 through -13 (formerly 119-240-46, 57 and 58) shall conform to the provisions of Land Use Plan Policy C-PRS-7.

22.66.080 – Inverness Community Standards

- A. Community character.** Maintain the existing character of residential and small-scale commercial development in the Inverness Ridge communities (Land Use Plan Policy C-INV-1).
- ~~**B. New visitor-serving uses.** *(Removed for consistency with deletion of Policy C-INV-2, 9/19/11)*~~
- C. Paradise Ranch Estates design guidelines.** Development in Paradise Ranch Estates should maintain the existing exclusively residential nature of the community and should consider the community's unique factors such as substandard roads and the need to protect viewsheds from adjacent parklands. The guidelines contained in Land Use Plan Policy C-INV-3 regarding protection of visual resources, public services, and tree protection shall apply to development within Paradise Ranch Estates.
- D. Tomales Bay shoreline development standards.** New construction along the shoreline of Tomales Bay shall be limited in height to 15 above grade except as provided for per Land Use Plan Policy C-CD-6.
- E. Road and Path Maintenance.** Existing residential streets and pathways shall be maintained consistent with Land Use Plan Policy C-INV-4.

22.66.090 – East Shore Community Standards

- A. Community character.** Maintain the existing character of low-density residential, agriculture, mariculture and fishing or boating-related uses. The expansion or modification of visitor-serving or commercial development on previously developed lots along the east shore of Tomales Bay should be allowed consistent with Land Use Plan Policy C-ES-1.

- B. Tomales Bay shoreline development standards.** New construction along the shoreline of Tomales Bay shall be limited in height to 15 above grade except as provided for per Land Use Plan Policy C-CD-6.
- C. Protection of trees.** Significant stands of trees should be identified and protected (Land Use Plan Policy C-ES-2).
- D. Prioritization of water-related uses.** Mariculture, boat repair, fishing, water-related recreation and scenic resources shall have priority over other uses along the shoreline (Land Use Plan Policy C-ES-3).
- E. Commercial land use.** The development of commercial and public facilities should be limited to existing activity centers, such as Nick's Cove, historic Marshall or near the Post Office/Marshall Boatworks and Marconi area (Land Use Plan Policy C-ES-4).
- F. Local serving facilities.** Local serving facilities should be incorporated in new development, where appropriate (Land Use Plan Policy C-ES-5).
- G. New marina development.** New marina developments shall make provisions for the use of the facilities by local commercial and recreational boats (Land Use Plan Policy C-ES-6).

22.66.100 – Tomales Community Standards

- A. Community character.** Maintain the existing character of residential and small-scale commercial development in the community of Tomales consistent with the provisions of Land Use Plan Policy C-TOM-1.

22.66.110 – Dillon Beach Community Standards

- A. Community character.** Maintain the existing character of residential and small-scale commercial development in Dillon Beach and Oceana Marin consistent with the provisions of Land Use Plan Policy C-DB-1 and C-DB-3.
- B. C-R-1:B-D Zoning standards.** The following standards shall apply in those areas of Dillon Beach governed by the C-R1:BD. zoning district.
 - 1. Minimum lot size.** Parcels proposed in new subdivisions shall have a minimum area of 1,750 square feet for each single-family dwelling.
 - 2. Setback requirements.** Structures shall be located in compliance with the following minimum setbacks (See Section 22.20.100, Setback Measurement and Exceptions):
 - (a) Front.** The minimum front yard setback shall be 10 feet.
 - (b) Sides.** The minimum side yard setbacks shall be 5 feet; 10 feet for a street side setback on a corner lot.
 - (c) Rear.** The minimum rear yard setback shall be 10 feet.
 - 3. Height limits.** Structures shall not exceed a maximum height of 20 feet (See Section 22.20.060 Height Measurement and Height Limit Exceptions)

- 4. Floor area ratio (FAR).** Parcels in this district are exempt from this limitation.

- C. Lawson's Landing.** Lawson's Landing shall be retained as an important lower cost visitor serving facility per Land Use Plan Policy C-DB-2.

- D. Dillon Beach Community Plan.** Refer to the Dillon Beach Community Plan, which has been certified by the California Coastal Commission, when reviewing Coastal Permits per Land Use Plan Policy C-DB-4.

CHAPTER 22.68 – COASTAL PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

Sections:

- 22.68.010 – Purpose of Chapter
- 22.68.020 – Applicability
- 22.68.030 – Coastal Permit Required
- 22.68.040 – Categorically Excluded Projects
- 22.68.050 – Exempt Projects
- 22.68.060 – Non-Exempt Projects
- 22.68.070 – De Minimis Waiver of Coastal Permit
- 22.68.080 – Projects Requiring a Coastal Commission Permit
- 22.68.090 – Consolidated Coastal Permit

22.68.010 – Purpose of Chapter

This Chapter determines when a Coastal Permit shall be required to authorize a proposed development.

22.68.020 – Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to proposed development in the Coastal Zone as defined by Public Resources Code Section 30103.

22.68.030 – Coastal Permit Required

A Coastal Permit is required for development in the Coastal Zone proposed by a private entity or a state or local agency unless the development is categorically excluded, exempt, or qualifies for a De Minimis Waiver.

Development is defined in Article VIII of this Development Code and is interpreted to include installation of water or sewage disposal systems, the closure of County-managed public accessways, changes in public access to the water including parking availability, construction of agricultural processing facilities and the significant alteration of landforms. Significant alteration of land forms entails the removal or placement of vegetation on a beach, wetland, or sand dune, or within 100 feet of the edge of a coastal bluff, stream, or in areas of natural vegetation designated as environmentally sensitive habitat areas (ESHA). Agricultural crop management and grazing are not considered to be a significant alteration of land forms.

22.68.040 – Categorically Excluded Projects

- A.** A project specifically designated as categorically excluded from the requirement for a Coastal Permit by Public Resources Code Section 30610(e) and implementing regulations is not subject to Coastal Permit requirements.
- B.** The Director shall maintain and regularly transmit to the Coastal Commission a list and summary of projects determined to be categorically excluded from the requirements of this Chapter for a Coastal Permit. The list and summary shall be available for public inspection and

shall include the applicant's name, project description and location, and the date of the Director's determination for each project.

22.68.050 – Exempt Projects

The following projects, as determined by the Director, shall be exempt from the requirements of Section 22.68.030 – Coastal Permit Required, unless listed as non-exempt by Section 22.68.060.

A. Improvements, other than to a public works facility, on developed lots. The following improvements on developed lots:

1. All fixtures and other structures directly attached to an existing structure including additions resulting in an increase of less than 10 percent of the floor area of the existing structure; and
2. Structures on a residential lot normally associated with a single-family residence, such as garages, swimming pools, fences, and storage sheds; but not including guest houses, self-contained residential units, or 1,000 square feet or more of impermeable paving within an ESHA or its buffer; and
3. Landscaping on the lot.

B. Repair and maintenance. Repair and maintenance activities that do not result in the addition to or enlargement or expansion of the object of repair or maintenance. No coastal permit shall be required for ordinary maintenance of the Seadrift Revetment, which is defined to include removal from the beach of any rocks or other material which become dislodged from the revetment or moved seaward from the identified footprint, replacement of such materials on the revetment, minor placement of sand over the revetment from a source other than the Bolinas Sandspit Beach, planting of dune grass on the revetment, and similar activities.

Unless destroyed by a disaster, the replacement of 50 percent or more of a single family residence is not considered solely repair and maintenance, but instead constitutes a replacement structure.

C. Replacement after disaster. The replacement of any legal structure, other than a public works facility, destroyed by a disaster. The replacement structure shall:

1. Conform to applicable existing zoning requirements;
2. Be for the same legal use as the destroyed structure, whether that use is legal conforming or legal non-conforming;
3. Not exceed the floor area of the destroyed structure by more than 10 percent or 500 square feet, whichever is less, or the height or bulk of the destroyed structure by more than 10 percent (the applicant must provide proof of pre-existing height and bulk); and
4. Be sited in the same location on the site as the destroyed structure, unless the Director determines that relocation is warranted because of proximity to coastal resources.

- D. Emergency work.** Immediate emergency work necessary to protect life or property or immediate emergency repairs to public service facilities necessary to maintain service as a result of a disaster in a disaster-stricken area in which a state of emergency has been proclaimed by the Governor pursuant to Chapter 7 (commencing with Section 8550 of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Calif. Government Code).
- E. Emergency highway repair.** Emergency projects undertaken, carried out, or approved by a public agency to maintain, repair, or restore an existing highway, as defined in Section 360 of the Vehicle Code, except for a highway designated as an official state scenic highway pursuant to Section 262 of the Streets and Highways Code, within the existing right-of-way of the highway, damaged as a result of fire, flood, storm, earthquake, land subsidence, gradual earth movement, or landslide, within one year of the damage. This paragraph does not exempt any project undertaken, carried out, or approved by a public agency to expand or widen a highway damaged by fire, flood, storm, earthquake, land subsidence, gradual earth movement, or landslide.
- F. Time-Share.** Any activity that involves the conversion of any existing multiple-unit residential structure to a time-share project, estate, or use, as defined in Section 11003.5 of the Calif. Business and Professions Code.
- G. Maintenance dredging.** Maintenance dredging of existing navigation channels or moving dredged material from those channels to a disposal area outside the coastal zone, pursuant to a permit from the US Army Corps of Engineers.
- H. Utility connection.** The installation, testing, and placement in service or the replacement of any necessary utility connection between an existing service facility and any development for which a Coastal Permit has been approved.
- I. Temporary event.** A temporary event which:
1. Would have a duration of two consecutive days or less; and
 2. Would not occupy a sandy beach in Muir Beach, Stinson Beach, Bolinas, or Dillon Beach; and
 3. Would not involve a charge for general public admission or seating where no fee is currently charged for use of the same area; and
 4. Would not take place in any wetlands, streams and riparian corridors, or other ESHAs.
- J. Nuisance Abatement.** Nuisance abatement actions by the County that are necessary to protect public health and safety, when such abatement must occur more quickly than could occur if authorized by a Coastal Permit. If exempt from a Coastal Permit, a nuisance abatement action shall involve the minimum level of development activity necessary to successfully abate the nuisance.

22.68.060 – Non-Exempt Projects

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 22.68.050 – Exempt Projects, a Coastal Permit shall be required for all of the following projects unless the development is categorically excluded or qualifies for a De Minimis Waiver:

- A. Improvements to existing structures, and repair and maintenance of existing structures.** Improvements to a structure and repair and maintenance of a structure if the structure is located on a beach, in a wetland, seaward of the mean high tide line, in an ESHA, or within 50 feet of the edge of a coastal bluff.
- B. Alterations within geographically defined appealable areas.** On property that is located between the sea and the first public road paralleling the sea or within 300 feet of the inland extent of any beach or of the mean high tide of the sea where there is no beach, whichever is the greater distance, improvement that would result in an increase of 10 percent or more of floor area of an existing structure or an additional improvement of 10 percent or less where an improvement to the structure had previously been exempt from Coastal Permit requirements, an increase in height by more than 10 percent of an existing structure and/or any significant non-attached structure such as garages, fences, shoreline protective works or docks.
- C. Shoreline protective devices.** Those repair and maintenance activities which involve seawalls and similar shoreline structures.
- D. Seadrift Revetment.** Extraordinary maintenance of the rock revetment as permitted by Coastal Commission permit #A-1-MAR-87-235-A issued August 31, 1994. Extraordinary maintenance is defined to include placement of any material on or adjacent to the seaward face of the revetment (other than replacement of dislodged material) or which expands the height or length of the revetment.
- E. Changes in intensity of use.** Improvements to a structure, other than a single-family residence or public works facility, which increase or decrease the intensity of use of the structure, as determined by the Director.
- F. Conversions.** Improvements carried out in conjunction with the conversion of an existing structure from a multi-family residential rental or visitor-serving commercial use to a use involving a fee ownership or long-term leasehold, including a condominium conversion, stock cooperative conversion or motel/hotel conversion, not including a time-share project.
- G. Structures of special character and visitor appeal.** Demolition of, or substantial alterations or additions to any structure built prior to 1930, except for maintenance or repair consistent with its original architectural character and maintenance or repair that includes replacement-in-kind of building components.
- H. Water wells and septic systems.** The expansion or construction of water wells or septic systems.
- I. Landform alterations.** Any significant alteration of land forms.
- J. Future Improvements.** Any improvements to a single-family residence or other structure where the coastal development permit issued for the original structure indicated that any future improvements would require a development permit.
- K. Repair and maintenance activities.** Repair and maintenance activities as follows:

1. Any method of repair or maintenance of a seawall revetment (other than ordinary maintenance of the Seadrift Revetment as provided by Section 22.68.050.B), bluff retaining wall, breakwater, groin, culvert, outfall, or similar shoreline work that involves:
 - (a) Repair or maintenance involving substantial alteration of the foundation of the protective work including pilings and other surface or subsurface structures;
 - (b) The placement, whether temporary or permanent, of rip-rap, artificial berms of sand or other beach materials, or any other forms of solid materials, on a beach or in coastal waters, streams, wetlands, estuaries and lakes or on a shoreline protective work except for agricultural dikes within enclosed bays or estuaries;
 - (c) The replacement of 20 percent or more of the materials of an existing structure with materials of a different kind: or
 - (d) The presence, whether temporary or permanent, of mechanized construction equipment or construction materials on any sand area, bluff, or ESHA, or within 20 feet of coastal waters or streams.
2. Any method of routine maintenance dredging that involves:
 - (a) The placement of dredged spoils of any quantity within an ESHA, on any sand area, within 50 feet of the edge of a coastal bluff or ESHA, or within 20 feet of coastal waters or streams; or
 - (b) The removal, sale, or disposal of dredged spoils of any quantity that would be suitable for beach nourishment in an area the Coastal Commission has declared by resolution to have a critically short sand supply that must be maintained for protection of structures, coastal access or public recreational use.
3. Any repair or maintenance to facilities or structures or work located in an ESHA, any sand area, within 50 feet of the edge of a coastal bluff or ESHA, or within 20 feet of coastal waters or streams that includes:
 - (a) The placement or removal, whether temporary or permanent, of rip-rap, rocks, sand or other beach materials or any other forms of solid materials; or
 - (b) The presence, whether temporary or permanent, of mechanized equipment or construction materials.

22.68.070 – De Minimis Waiver of Coastal Permit

The Director may waive the requirement for a Coastal Permit in compliance with this Section upon a written determination that the project meets all of the criteria in A. through G. below:

- A.** Involves no potential for adverse effects, either individually or cumulatively on coastal resources,
- B.** Is consistent with the certified Marin County Local Coastal Program,

- C. Is not of a type or in a location where the project, if subject to a Coastal Permit, would be appealable to the Coastal Commission or would be subject to a Coastal Permit issued by the Coastal Commission,
- D. Consists of one of the following or a project substantially similar to the following:
 1. Construction of retaining walls less than four (4) feet in height,
 2. Demolition of structures other than those built prior to 1930,
 3. “One for one” replacement of or abandonment of minor utilities,
 4. Repair and replacement work associated with underground and above-ground storage tanks,
 5. Installation of borings for test purposes, monitoring wells, vadose wells, temporary well points, and vapor points, or
 6. Merger of property
- E. Public notice of the proposed De Minimis Waiver of Coastal Permit and opportunities for public comment have been provided as required by Section 22.70.050,
- F. The Director shall not issue a waiver until the public comment period for the waiver has expired and no written requests for a coastal development permit have been submitted to the Department. If any member of the public requests that a waiver not be issued, the applicant shall be advised that a Coastal Permit is required if the applicant wishes to proceed with the development.
- G. Within seven (7) calendar days of issuance of a De Minimis Waiver of Coastal Permit, the Director shall notify the Coastal Commission and any persons who specifically requested notice of such action via first class mail, a Notice of Final Action describing the issuance and effectiveness of the De Minimis Waiver.

22.68.080 – Projects Requiring a Coastal Commission Permit

- A. Coastal Commission approval required.** Development or new land uses proposed on tidelands, submerged lands, public trust lands, or otherwise located seaward of the line of Coastal Commission jurisdiction, shall require a Coastal Permit from the Coastal Commission in compliance with Public Resources Code Section 30519(b). Also under the Coastal Commission’s continuing jurisdiction are amendments or extensions to coastal permits issued by the Coastal Commission; thermal power plants of 50 megawatts or greater along with the transmission lines, fuel supply lines, and related facilities to serve them; state university or college projects; and non-federal projects on federal land.
- B. Determination of jurisdiction.** The determination of jurisdiction shall be made by the Coastal Commission based upon maps and other descriptive information that the County, Coastal Commission and/or State Lands Commission may supply.
- C. Referral.** Before issuing a Coastal Permit, the Coastal Commission will refer the application to the State Lands Commission for a determination whether a State Lands Commission permit

or lease is required for the proposed development, and whether the State Lands Commission finds it appropriate to exercise the easement over that property. The Coastal Commission shall also refer the application to the County for review and comment.

- D. County land use designations and zoning districts.** County land use designations and zoning districts on public trust lands and federal lands shall be advisory only for purposes of the Coastal Commission's review of a coastal permit application.

22.68.090 – Consolidated Coastal Permit

Consolidated County–Coastal Commission Coastal Permit. If a proposed development requires two separate Coastal Permits, one from the County and one from the Coastal Commission, a consolidated Coastal Permit application may be considered by the Coastal Commission according to the following procedure:

- A.** The Director, with agreement by the applicant, may request the Coastal Commission through its executive director to process a consolidated Coastal Permit. The standard of review for a consolidated Coastal Permit application shall follow Chapter 3 of the Coastal Act (commencing with Public Resources Code Section 30200), with the Marin County Local Coastal Program used as guidance. The application fee for a consolidated Coastal Permit shall be determined by reference to the Coastal Commission's permit fee schedule.
- B.** Prior to making a request for a consolidated Coastal Permit, the Director shall first determine that public participation would not be substantially impaired by that review process.

CHAPTER 22.70 – COASTAL PERMIT ADMINISTRATION

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- 22.70.010 – Purpose of Chapter
- 22.70.020 – Applicability
- 22.70.030 – Coastal Permit Filing, Initial Processing
- 22.70.040 – Appeal of Permit Category Determination
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- 22.70.150 – Coastal Zone Variances
- 22.70.160 – Coastal Zone Variance Exemptions
- 22.70.170 – Decision and Findings

22.70.010 – Purpose of Chapter

This Chapter provides procedures for the filing, processing, and action on Coastal Permits, De Minimis Waivers and Categorical Exclusions.

22.70.020 – Applicability

The provisions of this Chapter apply to the preparation, filing, review, and approval or denial of all Coastal Permit, De Minimis Waiver, and Categorical Exclusion applications for development in Marin County.

22.70.030 – Coastal Permit Filing, Initial Processing

A. Application and filing. Coastal Permit application submittals shall include all information and other materials required by the Coastal Permit application forms, provided by the Agency. The application and accompanying materials shall be filed with the Agency before or concurrent with an application for any land use permit required by this Article. The Coastal Permit application shall include:

1. Project plans and supporting materials sufficient to determine whether the project complies with all relevant policies of the Local Coastal Program;
2. Documentation of the applicant's legal interest in all the property upon which work is proposed to be performed;
3. A dated signature by or on behalf of each of the applicants, attesting to the truth, completeness and accuracy of the contents of the application and, if the signer of the application is not the applicant, written evidence that the signer is authorized to act as the

applicant's representative and to bind the applicant in all matters concerning the application: and

4. Any additional information deemed by the Director to be required for specific categories of development or for development proposed from specific geographic areas.

B. Determination of permit category. The Director shall determine if the proposed project is categorically excluded, qualifies for a De Minimis Waiver, or requires a Coastal Permit that does or does not require a public hearing, as follows. This determination may be appealed in compliance with Section 22.70.040 – Appeal of Permit Category Determination.

1. **Categorical exclusion.** A determination that a project is categorically excluded shall comply with Section 22.68.040 – Categorically Excluded Projects.
2. **De Minimis Waiver.** A determination that a project qualifies for a De Minimis Waiver shall comply with 22.68.070 – De Minimis Waiver of Coastal Permit.
3. **Administrative applications.** A public hearing shall not be required when an application is not defined as appealable to the Coastal Commission by 22.70.080 - Appeal of Coastal Permit Decision, unless a public hearing is required for another discretionary planning permit for the same project.
4. **Public hearing applications.** A public hearing shall be required when a project is defined as appealable to the Coastal Commission by 22.70.080 - Appeal of Coastal Permit Decision, unless the proposed project only entails the approval of a second unit use or if it qualifies for a public hearing waiver. If a public hearing is held for another type of discretionary permit, the same review authority shall issue the decision on the Coastal Permit.
5. **Public hearing waiver.** A public hearing that would otherwise be required for a minor development shall be waived if both the following occur:
 - (a) Notice as required by Section 22.70.050 – “Public Notice” that a public hearing shall be held upon request by any person is provided , and
 - (b) No written request for a public hearing is received within 15 working days from the date of sending the notice.

In addition to the requirements of Section 22.70.050, the notice shall include a statement that the hearing will be cancelled if no person submits a written request for a public hearing as provided above, and a statement that failure by a person to request a public hearing may result in the loss of that person's ability to appeal to the Coastal Commission any action taken by the County of Marin on the Coastal Permit application.

For purposes of this Section, “minor development” means a development that the Director determines satisfies all of the following requirements:

- (1) Is consistent with the certified Local Coastal Program,
- (2) Requires no discretionary approvals other than a Coastal Permit, and

- (3) Has no adverse effect either individually or cumulatively on coastal resources or public access to the shoreline or along the coast.

Notwithstanding the waiver of a public hearing, any written comments submitted regarding a coastal permit application shall be made part of the permit application record.

- C. Initial processing.** A Coastal Permit shall be processed concurrently with other permit applications required for the project, and shall be evaluated as provided by Chapter 22.40 (Application Filing and Processing, Fees).

22.70.040 – Appeal of Permit Category Determination

Where an applicant or interested person disputes the Director's permit category determination of Coastal Permit category (Section 22.70.030.B – Determination of Permit Category), the determination may be appealed as follows.

- A. General County appeal procedure.** Appeals to the Planning Commission or Board shall be filed and processed in compliance with Chapter 22.114 (Appeals).
- B. Timing of County appeal.** A determination regarding permit category by the Director may be appealed to the Planning Commission, and subsequently to the Board within 10 business days of the determination.
- C. Procedures for appeals of permit category determination to the Coastal Commission.** Appeals of permit category determinations to the Coastal Commission shall follow the procedures contained in California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 13569 (Determination of applicable Notice and Hearing Procedures).

22.70.050 – Public Notice

Notice to the public of a pending action on a Coastal Permit or De Minimis Waiver shall be given as follows:

- A. Form of notice.** Permit applications shall be noticed at least 10 days prior to a hearing or action on the proposed project by posting notice in at least one location on or adjacent to the property which is the subject of the permit and by mailing notice to:
1. The owner(s) or owner's agent of the property being considered, and the applicant;
 2. Each local agency expected to provide essential facilities or services to the project, whose ability to provide the facilities and services may be significantly affected by the proposed project;
 3. Any person who has filed a written request for notice with the Director and has paid the fee set by the most current County Fee Ordinance for the notice;
 4. All owners of real property within three hundred feet of the property on which the development is proposed, as shown on the County's latest equalized assessment roll, if the zoning for such property requires a minimum lot area of less than twenty thousand square feet or a maximum density higher than two units per acre, or all owners of real property within six hundred feet of the property on which development is proposed, as shown on the

County's latest equalized assessment roll, if the zoning for such property requires a minimum lot area of twenty thousand square feet or greater, or a maximum density of two units per acre or lower; and

5. The Coastal Commission.

Notice listed in 1 through 5 above shall be provided whether or not a hearing is required on the permit. If a hearing is required, notice shall also be published at least once in a local newspaper of general circulation in the County.

The Director may also require additional means of notice that is reasonably determined necessary to provide adequate public notice of the decision on the proposed project.

B. Content of notice. The required notice may be combined with other required project permit notice(s), but shall be mailed by First Class mail and shall include the following information:

1. A statement that the project is within the Coastal Zone, and that the project decision will include a determination on a Coastal Permit;
2. The date of filing of the application;
3. The name of the applicant;
4. The number assigned to the application;
5. A description of the proposed project and its location;
6. A determination of whether the project is appealable to the Coastal Commission under Section 30603(a) of the Public Resources Code;
7. The date, time and place of the hearing and/or decision on the application;
8. A brief description of the procedures for public comment and decision on the application including the system of appeal if applicable;
9. If no public hearing is held, a description of the applicable public comment period sufficient to allow for the submission of comments by mail prior to the local decision; and
10. If a public hearing is proposed to be waived, a description of the public hearing waiver process as provided in Section 22.70.030.B.5.

C. Renoticing required. If a decision on a Coastal Permit is continued by the review authority to a date or time not specific, the item shall be renoticed in the same manner and within the same time limits established by this Section. If a decision on a Coastal Permit is continued to a specific date and time, then no renoticing is required.

D. State Lands Commission notification. Notice shall be provided to the State Lands Commission when an application for a Coastal Permit is submitted to the County on property identified as potentially subject to the public trust.

22.70.060 – Decision on Coastal Permit

- A. Review authority.** A decision to approve, conditionally approve, or deny a Coastal Permit shall be by the applicable review authority.
1. The Director shall take action on a non-hearing Coastal Permit application.
 2. Where the decision required for the permit by this Development Code or other County Code provision is to be by the Zoning Administrator, Commission, or Board, that review authority shall conduct a public hearing and take action on the Coastal Permit application.
 3. Where the decision required for the permit by this Development Code or other County Code provision is to be by the Director or other County officer, and a public hearing is required, the Zoning Administrator shall hold a public hearing and approve or deny the Coastal Permit application.
 4. For projects requiring multiple approvals under various provisions of the County Code, and where at least one approval is required by the Zoning Administrator or Commission, the Zoning Administrator or Commission may hold the public hearing and approve or deny the Coastal Permit application at the same time as taking action on the other applications.
 5. For appealable projects or other public hearing coastal projects for which the County permit requirements do not identify a review authority, the Coastal Permit application shall be heard, and approved or denied by the Zoning Administrator.

22.70.070 – Required Findings

Findings. The applicable review authority shall approve a Coastal Permit only when it first makes the findings below in addition to any findings required by this Article. Findings of fact establishing that the project conforms to the requirements and objectives of the Marin County Local Coastal Program shall be made as enumerated below. The findings shall reference applicable policies of the Marin County Local Coastal Program where necessary or appropriate.

- A. Coastal Access.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Public Coastal Access section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.180 (Public Coastal Access). Where the project is located between the nearest public road and the sea the findings shall include a determination of the project's conformity with the public access and recreation policies of Chapter 3 of the California Coastal Act (commencing with Section 30200 of the Public Resources Code).
- B. Biological Resources.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Biological Resources section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.050 (Biological Resources).
- C. Environmental Hazards.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Environmental Hazards section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program, including that new development during its economic life (100 years) is safe from and does not contribute to geologic or other hazards, and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.060 (Environmental Hazards).
- D. Agriculture and Mariculture.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Agriculture and Mariculture sections of the Marin County Local Coastal

Program and the specific agricultural and maricultural land use standards contained in Chapter 22.32.

- E. Water Resources.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Water Resources section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.080 (Water Resources).
- F. Community Design.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Community Design section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.100 (Community Design).
- G. Community Development.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Community Development section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.110 (Community Development).
- H. Energy.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Energy section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.120 (Energy).
- I. Housing.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Housing section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.130 (Housing).
- J. Public Facilities and Services.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Public Facilities and Services section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.140 (Public Facilities and Services).
- K. Transportation.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Transportation section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.150 (Transportation).
- L. Historical and Archaeological Resources.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Historical and Archaeological Resources section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.160 (Historical and Archaeological Resources).
- M. Parks, Recreation, and Visitor-Serving Uses.** The proposed project is consistent with the applicable policies contained in the Parks, Recreation, and Visitor-Serving Uses section of the Marin County Local Coastal Program and the specific standards contained in Section 22.64.170 (Parks, Recreation, and Visitor-Serving Uses).

22.70.080 – Appeal of Coastal Permit Decision

- A. County appeal procedure.** Decisions of the County on a Coastal Permit (Section 22.70.060 – Decision on Coastal Permit) may be appealed to the Planning Commission and Board as provided by Chapter 22.114 – Appeals.
- B. Appeals to the Coastal Commission.** Coastal Permits may be appealed to the Coastal Commission by an aggrieved person, including the applicant, or two members of the Coastal Commission, as follows:

1. **Appealable Development.** For purposes of appeal to the Coastal Commission, appealable development includes the following:
 - (a) Development approved between the sea and the first public road paralleling the sea or within 300 feet of the inland extent of any beach or of the mean high tideline of the sea where there is no beach, whichever is the greater distance;
 - (b) Development approved, not included in paragraph (a) above, that is located on tidelands, submerged lands, public trust lands, within 100 feet of any coastal wetland, estuary, or coastal stream, or within 300 feet of the top of the seaward face of any coastal bluff;
 - (c) Development approved that is not designated as the Principal Permitted Use (PP) by Tables 5-1, 5-2, or 5-3 in Chapter 22.62 – Coastal Zoning Districts and Allowable Land Uses; and
 - (d) Any development which constitutes a major public works project or a major energy facility.

2. **Filing.** Appeals must be filed in the office of the Coastal Commission prior to the close of business on the 10th working day after receipt by the Coastal Commission of the notice of final County action on the Coastal Permit that is the subject of the appeal. In the case of an appeal by an applicant or other aggrieved person, the appellant must exhaust all appeals to the County in compliance with Subsection A above (County Appeal Procedure) to be considered an aggrieved person, unless the County charges an appeal fee.

3. **Appeal by Coastal Commissioners.** When two Coastal Commissioners bring an appeal against a project that was approved by other than the Board of Supervisors, the Board of Supervisors may elect to consider the appeal before any action by the Coastal Commission. The Board of Supervisors shall notify the Coastal Commission of its decision to consider an appeal within 12 days of the County's receipt of notice of an appeal by two Coastal Commissioners. County action on an appealable project shall not be deemed final if the Board elects to consider the appeal. Notice and hearing on these appeals by the Board of Supervisors shall comply with Chapter 22.114 – Appeals. After action by the Board of Supervisors (or failure or refusal to act), notice of final action shall be provided to the Coastal Commission pursuant to Section 22.70.090.

22.70.090 – Notice of Final Action

Within 7 calendar days of a final County decision on an application for a Coastal Permit, the Director shall provide notice of the action by First Class mail to the Coastal Commission, and to any persons who specifically requested notice and provided a self-addressed stamped envelope or other designated fee covering mailing costs. The notice shall include conditions of approval, written findings and the procedures for appeal of the County decision to the Coastal Commission.

22.70.100 – Notice of Failure to Act

- A. **Notification by applicant.** If the County has failed to act on an application within the time limits set forth in Government Code Sections 65950 et seq. (Approval of Development

Permits), thereby approving the development by operation of law, the person claiming a right to proceed in compliance with Government Code Section 65950 et seq. (i.e., the applicant), shall notify the County and the Coastal Commission in writing of the claim that the development has been approved by operation of law. The notice shall specify the application which is claimed to be approved. Even if deemed approved in compliance with Government Code Section 65950, the project shall still comply with all applicable standards of this Development Code.

- B. Notification by County.** Upon a determination that the time limits established in compliance with Government Code Section 69550 et. seq. have expired, the Director shall, within five days of the determination, notify persons entitled to receive notice in compliance with Section 22.72.080 (Notice of Coastal Permits) that it has taken final action by operation of law in compliance with Government Code Section 65956. The appeal period for projects approved by operation of law shall begin only upon receipt of the County's notice in the office of the Coastal Commission.

22.70.110 – Effective Date of Final Action

A final decision by the applicable review authority on an application for an appealable development shall become effective after the 10 working day appeal period to the Coastal Commission has expired or after the 21st calendar day following the final County action unless any of the following occur:

- A.** An appeal is filed in compliance with Section 22.70.080 – Appeal of Coastal Permit Decision.
- B.** The notice of final Coastal Permit approval does not meet the requirements of Section 22.70.090 (Notice of Final Action).
- C.** The notice of final action is not received in the Coastal Commission office and/or distributed to interested parties in time to allow for the 10 working day appeal period within the 21 days after the County decision.

Where any of the above circumstances occur, the Coastal Commission shall, within five days of receiving notice of that circumstance, notify the County and the applicant that the effective date of the County action has been suspended.

22.70.120 – Expiration Date and Time Extensions

- A. Time limits, vesting, extensions.** Coastal Permit time limits, vesting requirements, and extension provisions shall comply with Section 22.56.050 – Time Limits and Extensions.
- B. Findings.** In addition to the requirements of Section 22.56.050, Coastal Permit extensions may be granted by the Director upon a finding that the project continues to be in conformance with the requirements and objectives of the Marin County Local Coastal Program.
- C. Appeal.** Coastal Permit extensions may be appealed in compliance with Section 22.70.080 (Appeal of Coastal Permit Decision).

22.70.130 – Amendments to Coastal Permits

A Coastal Permit may be amended in the same manner required for initial approval. Amendment requests shall be subject to the appeal provisions of Section 22.70.080 (Appeal of Coastal Permit Decision).

22.70.140 – Emergency Coastal Permits

In the event of an emergency, the Director may issue a permit to authorize emergency work in compliance with this Section, and Section 30624 of the Coastal Act and Section 13329 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations. The Director shall not issue an emergency permit for any work to be conducted on any tidelands, submerged lands, or on public trust lands, whether filled or unfilled; requests for emergency work in these areas shall be referred to the Coastal Commission.

- A. Application.** An application for an emergency permit shall be filed with the Director in writing if time allows, or in person or by telephone if time does not allow.
- B. Required information.** The applicant shall report to the Director the following information, either during or as soon after the emergency as possible:
1. The nature and location of the emergency;
 2. The cause of the emergency, insofar as this can be established;
 3. The remedial, protective, or preventive work required to deal with the emergency; and
 4. The circumstances during the emergency that appeared to justify the course(s) of action taken, including the probable consequences of failing to take action.

The Director shall verify the facts, including the existence and nature of the emergency, as time allows.

- C. Notice.** The Director shall provide public notice of the proposed emergency work, and determine the extent and type of notice based on the nature of the emergency.
- D. Emergency permit approval.** The Director may grant an emergency permit upon reasonable terms and conditions, including an expiration date, if the Director finds that:
1. An emergency exists that requires action more quickly than permitted by the procedures of this Article for a Coastal Permit, and the work can and will be completed within 30 days unless otherwise specified by the emergency permit;
 2. Public comment on the proposed emergency action has been reviewed, if time allows; and
 3. The proposed work is consistent with applicable Marin County Local Coastal Program policies.

The decision to issue an emergency permit is at the sole discretion of the Director, provided that subsequent Coastal Permits required for the project shall comply with all applicable provisions of this Development Code.

- E. Coastal Permit required.** Within 30 days of the notification required in Subsection A. (Application), the applicant shall apply for a Coastal Permit. Failure to file the applications

and obtain the required permits shall result in enforcement action in compliance with Chapter 22.122 (Enforcement)

22.70.150 – Coastal Zone Variances

This Section provides procedures for the adjustment from the development standards of Article V of this Development Code only when, because of special circumstances applicable to the property, including location, shape, size, surroundings, or topography, the strict application of this Article denies the property owner privileges enjoyed by other property owners in the vicinity and under identical zoning districts. Any Coastal Zone Variance granted shall be subject to conditions that will ensure that the Variance does not constitute a granting of special privilege(s) inconsistent with the limitations upon other properties in the vicinity and zoning district in which the property is situated.

Coastal Zone Variances provide relief from standards relating to height, floor area ratio, and yard setbacks. Coastal Zone Variances cannot be granted for relief from use limitations or minimum lot size and density requirements.

- A. Filing.** An application for a Coastal Zone Variance shall be submitted, filed, and processed in compliance with and in the manner described in Chapter 22.40 (Application Filing and Processing, Fees). It is the responsibility of the applicant to establish evidence in support of the findings required by Section 22.70.070 – Required Findings.

Coastal Permit Variance applications are available at the Agency's public information counter.

- B. Project review procedure.** Each application shall be analyzed by the Agency to ensure that the application is consistent with the purpose and intent of this Section.
- C. Action on Variances.** Decisions on Coastal Zone Variances shall be issued by the Director or the same review authority that issues the decision on the Coastal Permit for the project.
- D. Notice of action and/or hearing date.** Administrative decisions and public hearings on a proposed Coastal Zone Variance application shall be noticed in compliance with Chapter 22.118 (Notices, Public Hearings, and Administrative Actions).

22.70.160 – Coastal Zone Variance Exemptions

In situations where development is proposed within the footprint of an existing structure the Director may ministerially find a project exempt from Coastal Zone Variance requirement subject to the following:

- A.** The cubical contents of the structure shall not be increased with the exception of minor dormers and bay windows which provide headroom or circulation or projects that are addressed in Section 22.54.040.C, but do not add to the bulk and mass of the structure.
- B.** The floor area ratio may increase, not to exceed 35 percent maximum, or 300 square feet, whichever is more restrictive, except that such area limitations do not apply to circumstances in flood zones that are addressed in Section 22.54.040.C.

- C. The floor area ratio may increase above 30 percent if the increase in floor area is due to a federal or County requirement that an existing structure be raised above the base flood elevation. In this instance, the finished floor of the first level above the base flood elevation shall not be more than 18 inches above the base flood elevation. Floor area beneath proposed additions does not qualify for this exemption.
- D. Existing legal non-conforming setbacks may be maintained if a structure is being raised to conform to a federal or County requirement that an existing structure be raised above the base flood elevation. In this instance, the finished floor of the first level above the base flood elevation shall not be more than 18 inches above the base flood elevation. Development beneath proposed additions does not qualify for this exemption.
- E. The height of a roof of an existing structure that encroaches into a required setback is being lowered by any height or is being raised by not more than three feet in height above the existing roof, or to a maximum of 25 feet above grade, whichever is more restrictive.
- F. The project shall be subject to Coastal Permit, in compliance with this Article.

22.70.170 – Decision and Findings

Following notice for an administrative Coastal Zone Variance, or a public hearing for a Public Hearing Coastal Zone Variance, the Review Authority shall issue a notice of decision in writing with the findings upon which the decision is based, in compliance with state law (Government Code Section 65906). The Review Authority may approve an application, with or without conditions, only if all of the following findings are made:

- A. There are special circumstances unique to the property (e.g., location, shape, size, surroundings, or topography), so that the strict application of this Development Code denies the property owner privileges enjoyed by other property owners in the vicinity and under identical zoning districts.
- B. Granting the Variance does not allow a use or activity which is not otherwise expressly authorized by the regulations governing the subject parcel.
- C. Granting the Variance does not result in special privileges inconsistent with the limitations upon other properties in the vicinity and zoning district in which the real property is located.
- D. Granting the Variance will not be detrimental to the public interest, health, safety, convenience, or welfare of the County, or injurious to the property or improvements in the vicinity and zoning district in which the real property is located.

ARTICLE VIII

Development Code Definitions

CHAPTER 22.130 – DEFINITIONS

Sections:

- 22.130.010 – Purpose of Chapter
- 22.130.020 – Applicability
- 22.130.030 – Definitions of Specialized Terms and Phrases

22.130.010 – Purpose of Chapter

This Chapter provides definitions of terms and phrases used in this Development Code that are technical or specialized, or that may not reflect common usage.

22.130.020 – Applicability

If any of the definitions in this Chapter conflict with definitions in other chapters of the Marin County Code, these definitions shall prevail for the purposes of this Development Code. If a word used in this Development Code is not defined in this Chapter, or other Titles of the County Code, the most common dictionary definition is presumed to be correct.

22.130.030 – Definitions of Specialized Terms and Phrases

Definitions are listed in alphabetical order.

A. Definitions, "A."

Accessory Retail Uses (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale of various products (including food) in a store or similar facility that is located within a health care, hotel, office, or industrial complex, for the purpose of serving employees or customers, and is not visible from a public street. These uses include pharmacies, gift shops, food service establishments within hospitals, convenience stores and food service establishments within hotels, and office and industrial complexes.

Accessory Structure. A structure that is physically detached from, secondary and incidental to, and commonly associated with the primary structure or use. Physically detached means independent of any type of substantial connection with the primary structure. A substantial connection means having a continuous foundation and a connecting roof.

Acres, Gross and Net. See "Lot Area."

Adult Entertainment Establishment (land use). This land use consists of any adult bookstore, adult hotel or motel, adult motion picture arcade, adult motion picture theater, cabaret, sexual encounter center, or any other business or establishment that offers its patrons services or entertainment characterized by an emphasis on matter depicting, describing or relating to "specified sexual activities" or "specified anatomical areas," but not including those uses or activities, the regulation of which is preempted by state law.

Affordable Housing. Dwelling units that are income restricted and rented or sold at rates that are affordable to households with income qualifying as low, very low or extremely low income, as described in Chapter 22.22 (Affordable Housing Regulations) or Chapter 22.24 (Affordable Housing Incentives) and defined by Health and Safety Code Sections 50052.5 and 50053. Affordable Housing includes Transitional and Supportive housing consistent with qualifying income requirements.

Affordable Ownership Cost. Figure at which affordable housing must be provided for purchase, which is calculated as annual housing costs, during the first calendar year of a household's occupancy, including mortgage payments, property taxes, homeowners insurance, and homeowners association dues, if any, which do not exceed the following:

1. For inclusionary units required by Chapter 22.22, annual housing costs cannot exceed 30 percent of 60 percent of area median income, adjusted for household size.
2. For affordable housing that qualifies a project for a state density bonus, annual housing costs cannot exceed the following:
 - (a) for moderate income households: 35 percent of 110 percent of area median income, adjusted for household size.
 - (b) for low income households: 30 percent of 70 percent of area median income, adjusted for household size.
 - (c) for very low income households: 30 percent of 50 percent of area median income, adjusted for household size.

Affordable Rent. Annual rent, including utilities and all fees for housing services, which does not exceed the following:

- (1) For inclusionary units required by Chapter 22.22, annual rent cannot exceed 30 percent of 50 percent of median area income, adjusted for household size.
- (2) For affordable housing that qualifies a project for a state density bonus, annual rent cannot exceed the following:
 - (a) for low income households: 30 percent of 60 percent of area median income, adjusted for

household size.

- (b) for very low income households: 30 percent of 50 percent of area median income, adjusted for household size.

Agent. A person authorized in writing by the property owner to represent and act for a property owner in contacts with County employees, committees, Commissions, and the Board, regarding matters regulated by this Development Code.

Agency. The Marin County Community Development Agency.

Aggrieved Person (coastal). Any person who, in person or through a representative, appeared at a public hearing of the Coastal Commission or County of Marin in connection with a decision or action appealed, or who, by other appropriate means prior to a hearing, informed the Coastal Commission or County of Marin of the nature of his concerns or who for good cause was unable to do either. "Aggrieved person" includes the applicant for a permit.

Agricultural Accessory Activity (land use) (coastal). This land use consists of accessory activities customarily incidental to agricultural operations, and which involve agricultural products produced only on site or elsewhere in Marin County, including:

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| -corn shelling | -grain cleaning and grinding |
| -custom milling of flour, feed and grain | -hay baling and cubing |
| -drying of corn, rice, hay, fruits, and vegetables | -pre-cooling and packaging of fresh or farm dried fruits and vegetables |
| -sorting and packaging of fruits and vegetables | -tree nut hulling and shelling |
| | -preparation and packaging of animal byproduct (such as eggs and wool) produced on site |

Any of the above activities performed in the field with mobile equipment not involving permanent structures are included under the definition of "Crop Production".

Agricultural Accessory Structures (land use) (coastal). This land use consists of an uninhabited structure for the storage of farm animals, implements, supplies or products, that contains no residential use, is not accessory to a residential use, and is not open to the public, including:

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| - barns | - pens |
| - coops | - silos |
| - corrals | - stables |
| - grain elevators | - facilities for cleaning, drying, pre-cooling, and packaging of fruits and vegetables produced on site |
| - facilities for milking | - greenhouses |
| - fences | - utility facilities |
| | - other similar structures |

Does not include commercial greenhouses (which are under "Plant Nurseries") or structures for agricultural processing activities (which are under "Agricultural Processing") or retail sales of agricultural products. Wind machines for water pumping or other conversion of wind energy to mechanical or thermal power are included under the definition of "Wind Energy Conversion Systems" (WECS).

Agricultural District or Zone. Any of the agricultural zoning districts established by Chapter 22.08 (Agricultural and Resource-Related Districts), or Coastal Zoning Districts established by Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards), including A (Agriculture and Conservation), A2 (Limited Agriculture), ARP (Agricultural, Residential Planned), C-APZ (Coastal, Agricultural Production Zone), and C-ARP (Coastal, Agricultural, Residential Planned).

Agricultural Homestay Facility (coastal). A facility that meets all of the following requirements: (a) Has not more than five guest rooms and accommodates not more than 15 guests; (b) Provides overnight transient accommodations; and (c) Serves food only to its registered guests and serves meals at any time, and includes the price of food in the price of the overnight transient occupancy accommodation.

Agricultural Processing (land use). This land use consists of the processing of harvested crops and other agricultural products, including the following:

- production of butter, cheese, and other dairy products
- food oil production, including olive oil
- shellfish processing
- processing of milk
- wine production

Also includes structures used in connection with the above activities.

Agricultural Production (land use) (coastal). This land use consists of the raising of animals used in farming or the growing and/or producing of agricultural commodities for commercial purposes, including the following and substantially similar uses of an equivalent nature and intensity:

1. Livestock and poultry - cattle, sheep, poultry, goats, rabbits, , and horses provided that horses are accessory and incidental to, in support of, and compatible with the property's agricultural production.
2. Livestock and poultry products (such as milk, wool, eggs).
3. Field, fruit, nut, and vegetable crops - hay grain, silage, pasture, fruits, nuts, seeds, and vegetables.
4. Nursery products - nursery crops, cut plants.
5. Aquaculture and mariculture
6. Viticulture
7. Vermiculture
8. Forestry
9. Commercial gardening
10. Beekeeping

Agricultural Production and Stewardship Plan (coastal). A plan that identifies existing and proposed agricultural uses and resources for a property. The intent of these plans is to demonstrate the following: (1) the long-term agricultural use of the property will be preserved; (2) agricultural infrastructure has been established or will be enhanced; (3) agricultural uses proposed in connection with the residence are appropriate to the site; (4) sound land stewardship has been implemented or will be enacted; and (5) at least 95% of the usable land of the property will be engaged in agricultural production.

Agricultural Retail Sales Facility/Farm Stand (coastal). A temporary or permanent structure used for the display and sale of agricultural products.

Agricultural Worker. An employee who is engaged in services associated with an agricultural use, including: cultivation and tillage of soil; dairying; the production, cultivation, growing, and harvesting of any agricultural or horticultural commodity; and the preparation, delivery, or storage of any agricultural or horticultural commodity for market.

Agricultural Worker Housing. Any attached and detached dwelling unit used to house agricultural workers and their family members, including temporary mobile homes. For the purpose of calculating

density, no more than one food preparation area shall be provided for each agricultural worker housing unit.

Agriculture (coastal). This land use consists of agricultural production, and the facilities that are accessory and incidental to, in support of, and compatible with the properties agricultural production, including agricultural accessory structures and activities, one farmhouse per legal lot, up to two intergenerational homes, agricultural worker housing, limited agricultural product sales and processing, non-profit and owner-operator conducted agricultural tours, and agricultural homestay facilities.

Airpark (land use). This land use consists of airfields, landing strips, and/or heliports, in compliance with the regulations of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), and California Division of Aeronautics.

Alley. A public or private roadway, not intended for general vehicle traffic circulation, that provides secondary vehicle access to the rear or side of lots having other public street frontage.

Alteration. Any construction or physical change in the internal arrangement of rooms or the supporting members of a structure, or a change in the external appearance of any structure, not including painting.

Animal Sales Lot. See "Livestock Operations, Sales Lots, Feedlots, Stockyards."

Antennas. See "Telecommunications Facilities."

Antiquated Subdivision. *(Definition under Planning Commission review)*

Apartment. See "Multi-Family Housing."

Appealable Area. The areas described by Public Resources Code Sections 30519.b and 30603.a.1 and .a.2, within which a County decision to approve a development may be appealed to the California Coastal Commission.

Appeals Area Maps. The official maps on file with the Community Development Agency which identify areas within the Coastal Zone where County decisions on Coastal Permit applications may be appealed to the Coastal Commission.

Applicant. Any person, firm, partnership, association, joint venture, corporation, or any entity or combination of entities, which seeks County permits and approvals.

Approval. An official sanction that includes both approval and approval with conditions.

Aquaculture (land use). This land use consists of the raising and harvesting of aquatic organisms, including shellfish, mollusks, crustaceans, kelp, and algae.

Arborist. An arborist is 1) a person currently certified by the Western Chapter of the International Society of Arboriculture as an expert on the care of trees; 2) a consulting arborist who satisfies the requirements of the American Society of Consulting Arborists; or 3) such other qualified professionals who the Director determines has gained through experience the qualifications to identify, remove or replace trees.

Architectural Deviation. A discretionary land use permit established by Chapter 22.46 (Floating Home Adjustments and Deviations) to evaluate floating homes that are between 16 and 20 feet in height. The review considers the appropriateness of project design as it relates to the aesthetics and scale of neighboring floating homes, as well as views within and to the marina.

Area Median Income. Median income for Marin County as published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) with adjustments for household size. Applicable schedule to be applied at the discretion of the Director.

Ark. Any vessel, boat, craft, or structure originally designed to float that is now permanently grounded or supported by a foundation or piling.

Assessor's Parcel. A unit of real property recognized by the Marin County Assessor's Office for tax purposes, mapped and assigned an Assessor's Parcel Number by the Assessor's Office.

Auto, Mobile Home, Vehicle, Parts Sales (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale and/or rental of the following (vehicles may be new or used):

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| - automobiles | - recreational and utility trailers |
| - boats | - repair shops with new car |
| - campers | - snowmobiles |
| - dealerships | - tires |
| - golf carts | - trucks |
| - jet skis | - vans |
| - mobile homes | - vehicle accessories |
| - motorcycles | - vehicle parts |
| - motorized farm equipment | |

Does not include: bicycle and moped sales (see "Retail Stores, General Merchandise"); tire recapping establishments (see "Repair and Maintenance - Vehicle"); businesses dealing exclusively in used parts, (see "Recycling, Scrap and Dismantling Yards"); or "Service Stations," which are separately defined.

Automatic Teller Machine (ATM) (land use). This land use consists of machines used by bank and financial service patrons for conducting transactions, including deposits, withdrawals and fund transfers, without contact with financial institution personnel. The machines may be located at or within banks, or in other locations, in compliance with this Development Code.

Automobile Repair. See "Repair and Maintenance, Vehicle."

Automobile Dismantling Yard. See "Recycling, Scrap, and Dismantling Yards."

Avian Migratory Concentration Point. Avian migratory concentration point refers to both the place of departure and the destination of birds from one region to another, especially as a result of seasonal or periodic movement in order to breed, seek food, or to avoid unsuitable weather conditions.

B. Definitions, "B."

Banks and Financial Services (land use). This land use consists of financial institutions including:

- banks and trust companies
- credit agencies
- holding (but not primarily operating) companies
- lending and thrift institutions
- other investment companies
- securities/commodity contract brokers and dealers
- security and commodity exchanges
- vehicle finance (equity) leasing agencies

See also, "Automatic Teller Machine," above.

Bars and Drinking Places (land use). This land use consists of the sale of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption, not as part of a larger restaurant. Includes bars, taverns, pubs, and similar establishments where any food service is subordinate to the sale of alcoholic beverages. May include entertainment (e.g., live music and/or dancing). May also include beer brewing as part of a microbrewery, and other beverage tasting facilities.

Base Density. This definition applies only to projects that seek a density bonus. The base density is either 1) the number of units/lots that are calculated using the minimum lot area or maximum density associated with the zoning district or 2) the maximum density allowed by the Built Environment Element of the Countywide Plan including provisions applicable to sites with sensitive habitat, or located within the Ridge and Upland Greenbelt, or lacking public water or sewer systems, or if the project will result in an exceedance to the Level of Service Standards. Where the density allowed under the zoning ordinance is inconsistent with the density allowed under the Built Environment Element, the Built Environment Element density shall prevail.

Basement. A story which is partly or completely below grade.

Bay Window. A window enclosure that projects from an exterior wall and is at least 18 inches above the adjoining finished floor as measured to the lowest horizontal plane of the projection. To be considered a bay window for the purposes of allowed exemptions and floor area, the windowed enclosure shall not occupy an area greater than 25 percent of any individual wall element of the building for each story or extend more than 30 inches from the exterior wall.

Beach (coastal). The expanse of sand, gravel, cobble or other loose material that extends landward from the low water line to the place where there is distinguishable change in physiographic form, or to the line of permanent vegetation. The seaward limit of a beach (unless specified otherwise) is the mean low water line.

Bed and Breakfast Inns (land use). This land use consists of providing up to five guest bedrooms for overnight lodging, where the use is clearly secondary and incidental to the use of the property as a single-family residence. County requirements applicable to Bed and Breakfast Inns are in Section 22.32.040 (Bed and Breakfast Inns), and applicable Health Department regulations. A Bed and Breakfast Inn with more than five guest rooms is considered a hotel or motel, and is not permitted in a residential zoning district. Refer to the definition of "Room Rental" to distinguish between a Bed and Breakfast Inn and room rental in a "boarding house" situation.

Below Market Rate. Housing that is sold or rented at a price which is below the prevailing rate for equivalent housing units within the same community.

Beneficial Use (coastal). Use of waters of the state including domestic, municipal, agricultural and industrial supply; power generation; recreation; aesthetic enjoyment; navigation; and preservation and enhancement of fish, wildlife, and other aquatic resources or preserves.

Best Management Practices (BMPs) (coastal). Methods that have been determined to be the most effective, practical means of preventing or reducing pollution from non-point sources, such as pollutants carried by urban runoff.

Beverage Production (land use). This land use consists of manufacturing facilities including bottling plants, breweries, coffee roasting, soft drink production, and wineries. Does not include milk processing; see "Food Products." May include tasting and accessory retail sales of beverages produced on site. A tasting facility separate from the manufacturing facility is included under the definition of "Bars and Drinking Places" if alcoholic beverages are tasted, and under "Restaurant" if beverages are non-alcoholic.

Billboard. Any sign advertising, indicating, or identifying a use, activity, or other entity not on the same premises as the sign.

Block. A group of lots surrounded by streets or roads, or streets or roads and railroad right-of-way, mean high tide line or unsubdivided acreage.

Blue Line Stream. A watercourse shown as a blue line (perennial or intermittent) on the most recent appropriate USGS data.

Bluff (coastal). A high bank or bold headland with a broad, precipitous, sometimes rounded cliff face overlooking a plain or body of water. A bluff may consist of a steep cliff face below and a more sloping upper bluff above.

Bluff Edge (coastal). The upper termination of a bluff, cliff, or seacliff. In cases where the top edge of the bluff is rounded away from the face of the bluff as a result of erosional processes related to the presence of the steep bluff face, the bluff line or edge shall be defined as that point nearest the bluff beyond which the downward gradient of the surface increases more or less continuously until it reaches the general gradient of the bluff. In a case where there is a steplike feature at the top of the bluff face, the landward edge of the topmost riser shall be taken to be the bluff edge. Bluff edges typically retreat landward due to coastal erosion, landslides, development of gullies, or by grading (cut). In areas where the bluff top or bluff face has been cut or notched by grading, the bluff edge shall be the landwardmost position of either the current or historic bluff edge. In areas where fill has been placed near or over the historic bluff edge, the original natural bluff edge, even if buried beneath fill, shall be taken to be the bluff edge.

Blufftop (coastal). The upper surface of a bluff.

Blufftop Parcel (coastal). A parcel located on a blufftop.

Board, Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors of the County of Marin, State of California.

Board, Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority. The Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of the County of Marin, State of California.

Broadcasting Studios (land use). This land use consists of commercial and public communications facilities entirely within buildings, including radio and television broadcasting and receiving stations and studios. Transmission and receiving apparatus, including antennas and towers, are included under the definition of "Telecommunications Facilities."

Buffer Zone. An area which separates one land use from another, for purposes of safety, environmental protection or compatibility.

Building. Any structure, having a roof supported by columns or walls and usable for shelter, housing, or enclosure of any person, animal, equipment or material.

Building Area. The sum of the floor area of all floors in all buildings on a site. Unlike "Floor Area", building area includes garages, carports, storage buildings, and other attached or detached accessory structures.

Building Envelope. An area of real property identified for the construction of buildings.

Building, Main. See "Structure, primary."

Building Material Stores (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale of lumber and other large building materials, where most display and sales activities occur indoors. Products sold may include paint, wallpaper, glass, fixtures, nursery stock, and lawn and garden supplies. Includes stores selling to the general public, even if contractor sales account for a major proportion of total sales. Includes incidental retail ready-mix concrete operations, except where excluded by a specific zoning district. Establishments primarily selling electrical, plumbing, heating, and air conditioning equipment and supplies are classified in "Wholesaling and Distribution." Hardware stores are listed in the definition of "Retail Stores, General Merchandise," even if they sell some building materials.

Building Site. A lot or parcel that is recognized by the Community Development Agency as having been created in compliance with the governing zoning and development standards.

Bulk. Total interior cubic volume as measured from the exterior surfaces of the structure.

Business Support Services (land use). This land use consists of establishments located primarily within buildings, providing other businesses with services including maintenance, repair and service, testing, rental, etc. Examples of these services include:

- blueprinting
- business equipment repair services (except vehicle repair, see "Repair and Maintenance - Vehicle")
- commercial art and design (production)
- computer-related services (rental, repair)
- copying, quick printing, and blueprinting services
- equipment rental businesses within buildings (rental yards are "Storage Yards and Sales Lots")
- equipment repair services where repair occurs on the client site
- film processing laboratories
- graphic design
- janitorial services
- mail advertising services (reproduction and shipping)
- outdoor advertising services
- photocopying
- photofinishing
- secretarial and personnel services
- security services
- soils and materials testing laboratories
- window cleaning

C. Definitions, "C."

Cabinet Shop. See "Furniture and Fixtures" (land use).

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). A state law originally enacted in 1970, which requires public agencies to document and consider the environmental effects of a proposed action, before a decision is issued. See California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.

Campground (land use). This land use consists of land that is used or intended for use by camping parties, which may include individual campsites, but where utility hookups for recreational vehicles are typically not provided at campsites. See also "Recreational Vehicle Parks."

Car Deck. See "Parking Structure."

Cargo Container. A portable, rectangular metal storage container, generally with a height greater than five feet and with doors on one end, designed to be transported on trucks, rail cars, or ships, individually or stacked.

Carport. See "Parking Structure."

Cemeteries, Columbariums and Mortuaries (land use). This land use consists of internment establishments engaged in subdividing property into cemetery lots and offering burial plots or air space for sale. Includes animal cemeteries; cemetery, mausoleum, crematorium and columbarium operations, and full-service funeral parlors, whether accessory to or separate from a cemetery or columbarium.

CEQA. See California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Certificate of Compliance. A Certificate of Compliance is a document recorded by the County Recorder, which acknowledges that the subject parcel, which was typically created prior to current subdivision map requirements, is considered by the County to be a legal lot of record. A Conditional Certificate of Compliance is used instead of a Certificate of Compliance to validate a parcel that was not legally subdivided. Procedures for Certificates of Compliance may be found in Chapter 22.96 (Certificates of Compliance) of this Development Code.

Chemical Products (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of chemicals and other products created predominantly by chemical processes. This definition includes the manufacture of three general classes of products: (1) basic chemicals, such as acids, alkalis, salts, and organic chemicals; (2) chemical products to be used in further manufacture, such as synthetic fibers, plastic materials, dry colors, and pigments; and (3) finished chemical products to be used for ultimate consumption, such as drugs and cosmetics, or to be used as materials or supplies in other industries such as paints, fertilizers, and explosives. Also includes sales and transportation establishments handling the chemicals described above in other than one of the uses included in the Retail Trade Group on the land use and permit tables.

Child Day-Care Facilities (land use). This land use consists of the provision of nonmedical care and supervision of minor children for periods of less than 24 hours. This land use includes the following types of facilities, all of which are required to be licensed by the California State Department of Social Services:

- 1. Child Day-Care Center (land use).** This land use consists of commercial or non-profit child day-care facilities designed and approved to accommodate 15 or more children. Includes infant centers, preschools, sick-child centers, and school-age day-care facilities. These may be operated in conjunction with other approved land uses, or as an independent land use.
- 2. Large Family Day-Care Home (land use).** This land use consists of a day-care facility located in a single-family residence where an occupant of the residence provides care and

supervision for eight to 14 children. Children under the age of 10 years who reside in the home count as children served by the day-care facility.

3. **Small Family Day-Care Home (land use).** This land use consists of a day-care facility located in a single-family residence where an occupant of the residence provides care and supervision for either six or fewer children, or eight or fewer children provided that no more than two of the children are under the age of two and at least two of the children are over the age of six. Children under the age of 10 years who reside in the home count as children served by the day-care facility.

Churches. See "Religious Places of Worship."

Clothing Products (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of clothing, and the fabrication of products by cutting and sewing purchased textile fabrics, and related materials such as leather, rubberized fabrics, plastics and furs. Custom tailors and dressmakers not operating as a factory and not located on the site of a clothing store ("Retail Stores, General Merchandise") are instead included under "Personal Services." See also, "Textile and Leather Products."

Coastal Act. The California Coastal Act of 1976, enacted by the legislature in response to the 1972 ballot initiative known as Proposition 20. The Coastal Act requires local jurisdictions to adopt and maintain Local Coastal Plans (LCPs) and implementing ordinances consistent with its provisions. Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards) of this Development Code comprises the implementing ordinances of the Marin County LCP.

Coastal Commission. The California Coastal Commission as established by the California Coastal Act of 1976.

Coastal Dependent Use. Any development or use that requires a site on, or adjacent to the ocean to function.

Coastal Permit. A discretionary land use permit that may be granted in compliance with Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards), which authorizes a specific use of land on a specific site, subject to compliance with any conditions of approval imposed on the permit.

Coastal-Related Development (coastal). Any use that is dependent on a coastal-dependent development or use.

Coastal Stream (coastal). Streams in the Coastal Zone, perennial or intermittent, which are mapped by the United States Geological Survey (USGS). In addition, those ephemeral streams that are not mapped by the United States Geological Survey if the stream: (a) supports riparian vegetation for a length of 100 feet or more, or (b) supports special-status species or another type of ESHA, regardless of the extent of riparian vegetation associated with the stream.

Coastal Zone (coastal). That land and water area of the County of Marin specified on the maps identified and set forth in Section 17 of that chapter of the Statutes of the 1975-76 Regular Session enacting the California Coastal Act of 1976, extending seaward to the state's outer limit of jurisdiction, including all offshore islands, and extending inland generally 1,000 yards from the mean high tide line of the sea. In significant coastal estuarine, habitat, and recreational areas it extends inland to the first major ridgeline paralleling the sea or five miles from the mean high tide line of the sea, whichever is less, and in developed urban areas the zone generally extends inland less than 1,000 yards. The coastal zone does not include the area of jurisdiction of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, established pursuant to Title 7.2 (commencing with Section 66600) of the Government Code, nor any area contiguous thereto, including any river, stream, tributary, creek, or flood control or drainage channel flowing into such area.

Coastal Zoning Districts. Any of the coastal zoning districts established by Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards), including:

C-ARP (Coastal, Agricultural Residential Planned)	C-CP (Coastal, Planned Commercial)
C-APZ (Coastal, Agricultural Production Zone)	C-H1 (Coastal, Limited Roadside Business)
C-RA (Coastal, Residential Agricultural)	C-VCR (Coastal, Village Commercial Residential)
C-R1 (Coastal, Single-Family Residence)	C-OA (Coastal, Open Area)
C-R2 (Coastal, Two-Family Residence)	C-RMPC (Coastal, Residential Multiple Planned Commercial)
C-RMP (Coastal, Residential Multiple Planned)	C-RCR (Coastal, Resort Commercial Recreation)
C-RSP (Coastal, Residential Single-Family Planned)	
C-RSPS (Coastal, Residential Single-Family Planned, Seadrift Subdivision)	

Co-Located. A telecommunications facility site where a structure contains antennas for more than one telecommunications service or service providers.

Combining District. A combining district is a supplementary zoning designation that is applied to property in addition to a primary zoning district to highlight special regulations that apply to properties within the combining district. The combining districts established by Section 22.06.020 (Zoning Districts Established), include -B (Minimum Lot Size), and -BFC (Bayfront Conservation).

Commercial Gardening (land use). This land use consists of small-scale truck gardening, tree farming, and other similar agricultural production activities, where products are sold off-site.

Commercial Parking and Vehicle Storage (land use). This land use consists of service establishments in the business of storing operative cars, buses, recreational vehicles, and other motor vehicles for clients. Includes both day use and long-term public and commercial garages, parking lots and structures, except when accessory to a principal use. Includes sites where vehicles are stored for rental or leasing. All principal uses are considered to include any customer or public use off-street parking required by this Development Code. Does not include dismantling yards; see "Recycling, Scrap and Dismantling Yards."

Commercial District or Zone. Any of the commercial zoning districts established by Sections 22.06.020 (Zoning Districts Established), or Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards) including:

VCR (Village Commercial/Residential)	C-VCR (Coastal, Village Commercial/Residential)
RMPC (Residential/Commercial Multiple Planned)	C-RMPC (Coastal, Residential/Commercial Multiple Planned)
C1 (Retail Business)	C-H1 (Coastal, Limited Roadside Business)
CP (Planned Commercial)	C-CP (Coastal, Planned Commercial)
AP (Administrative and Professional)	C-RCR (Coastal, Resort and Commercial Recreation)
OP (Planned Office)	
H1 (Limited Roadside Business)	
RCR (Resort and Commercial Recreation)	

Commercial Recreational Facilities (coastal). Facilities such as riding stables, chartered fishing boats, amusement or marine parks, operated for private profit.

Commission. See "Planning Commission."

Common Interest Development. A condominium, community apartment project, planned development or stock cooperative, as provided by California Civil Code Section 1351, where individually-owned housing units are located together on a parcel or within a building that is owned in common by all owners of individual units.

Community Garden (land use). This land use consists of public or private gardening for non-commercial neighborhood or community use where there is usually a formal or informal sharing of cultivation and maintenance responsibilities. Unlike parks and playgrounds, where plantings are often ornamental and ecological, community gardens emphasize planting of vegetables and agricultural crops.

Completeness Determination. The review of a land use permit application and all supporting materials to determine whether the submittal includes all information and materials required by the Agency.

Community Apartment Project. A development in which an undivided interest in land is coupled with the right of exclusive occupancy of any apartment located thereon; as defined in Business and Professions Code Section 11004 and Civil Code Section 1351(d).

Community Centers (land use). This land use consists of multi-purpose meeting and recreational facilities, typically consisting of one or more meeting or multi-purpose rooms, kitchen and/or outdoor barbecue facilities, that are available for use by various groups for such activities as meetings, parties, receptions, dances, etc.

Community Plan. A planning document which sets forth goals, objectives, policies, and programs to address specific issues related to a particular unincorporated community. Community Plans are considered part of the Marin Countywide Plan.

Concrete, Gypsum, and Plaster Products (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of bulk concrete, concrete building block, brick and all types of precast and prefab concrete products. Also includes ready-mix concrete batch plants, lime manufacturing, and the manufacture of gypsum products, such as plasterboard. A retail ready-mix concrete operation as an incidental use in conjunction with a building materials outlet is defined under "Building Material Stores."

Conditions, Covenants, and Restrictions (CC&Rs). A declaration recorded with the title to a parcel that may establish private provisions governing how a property shall be held, conveyed, encumbered, leased, rented, used, occupied, and/or improved. CC&Rs are not administered or enforced by the County.

Condominium. As defined by Civil Code Section 1351.f, a development where undivided interest in common in a portion of real property is coupled with a separate interest in space called a unit, the boundaries of which are described on a recorded final map, parcel map, or condominium plan. The area within the boundaries may be filled with air, earth, or water, or any combination, and need not be physically attached to any land except by easements for access and, if necessary, support.

Contiguous Properties. For the purposes of Chapter 22.92 (Merger of Parcels), all adjoining land owned or controlled by the applicant, the property lines of which touch or join at more than one point, or the property lines of which are separated only by a public or private street, road or other public or private right-of-way, or separated only by other land owned by the applicant.

Construction Equipment Sales (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale or rental of heavy construction equipment, including cranes, earth moving equipment, heavy trucks, etc.

Construction Yard (land use). This land use consists of the outdoor storage of vehicles and large equipment, or other materials commonly used in the construction business; storage of scrap materials used for repair and maintenance of construction equipment; and buildings or structures for uses including offices and repair facilities.

Conventional District. Any zoning district established by Sections 22.06.020 (Zoning Districts Established), and Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards), that is not included under the definition of "Planned District" provided by this Chapter. The conventional districts include:

A (Agriculture and Conservation)	C-R2 (Coastal, Residential, Two-Family)
A2 (Limited Agriculture)	VCR (Village Commercial/Residential)
RA (Residential, Agricultural)	C1 (Retail Business)
C-RA (Coastal, Residential, Agricultural)	AP (Administrative and Professional)
RR (Residential, Restricted)	H1 (Limited Roadside Business)
RE (Residential, Estate)	C-VCR (Coastal, Village Commercial/Residential)
R1 (Residential, Single-Family)	C-H1 (Coastal, Limited Roadside Business)
C-R1 (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family)	OA (Open Area)
R2 (Residential, Two-Family)	C-OA (Coastal, Open Area)
	PF (Public Facilities)

Cottage Industry (land use). This land use consists of the design, light manufacturing or product assembly, and the sale of products and services inside a dwelling or within an accessory building located on the same site as the dwelling, by the inhabitants of the dwelling. This land use involves the design, manufacture, and sale of the following products and services, or other uses determined by the Director to be similar in nature including: See Section 22.32.060 (Cottage Industries).

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| - antique repair and refinishing | - jewelry making |
| - baking & food preparation for off-site consumption | - painting and sculpture |
| - batik and tie dyeing | - photography |
| - catering | - sewing |
| - ceramics | - weaving |
| - dress making, cloth decoration, etc. | - other handcrafts |
| - furniture and cabinet making, other woodworking | |

County. The County of Marin, State of California, referred to in this Development Code as "the County."

County Boundary. The boundary of the unincorporated limits of the County of Marin.

County Code. The Marin County Code.

Countywide Plan. The Marin Countywide Plan, including all of its elements and amendments, and all Community Plans, as adopted by the Board of Supervisors under the provisions of the Government Code (Sections 65300 et seq.), and referred to in this Development Code as the "Countywide Plan."

Coverage. See "Site Coverage."

Crop Production (land use). This land use consists of commercial agricultural field and orchard uses, including production of:

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| - field crops | - ornamental crops |
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- flowers and seeds
- fruits
- grains
- melons
- tree nuts
- trees and sod
- vegetables

Also includes associated crop preparation services and harvesting activities, such as mechanical soil preparation, irrigation system construction, spraying, crop harvesting, and sales in the field not involving a permanent structure.

Cumulatively (coastal). The incremental effects of an individual project reviewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.

D. Definitions, "D."

Diameter at Breast Height (DBH). DBH means the diameter of a tree trunk measured in inches at a height of 4.5 feet above ground while standing on level ground or from the uphill side of the tree. If a tree splits into multiple trunks below 4.5 feet, the trunk is measured at its most narrow point beneath the split.

Dairy Operations (land use). This land use consists of specialized and intensive commercial animal facilities for the raising and keeping of dairy animals, including facilities for milking.

Demolition. The act of tearing down, removing, or replacing an existing building, structure, or other physical improvement.

Density. The number of dwellings per acre of lot area, unless otherwise stated, for residential uses.

Density Bonus. An increase in the number of dwelling units over the base density.

Design Review. See Chapter 22.42 (Design Review).

Development. On land, in or under water, the placement or erection of any solid material or structure; discharge or disposal of any dredged material or of any gaseous, liquid, solid, or thermal waste; grading, removing, dredging, mining, or extraction of any materials; change in the density or intensity of use of land, including subdivision pursuant to the Subdivision Map Act (commencing with Section 66410 of the Government Code), and any other division of land except where the land division is brought about in connection with the purchase of such land by a public agency for public recreational use; change in the intensity of use of water, or of access thereto; construction, reconstruction, demolition, or alteration of the size of any structure, including any facility of any private, public, or municipal utility; and the removal or harvesting of major vegetation other than for agricultural purposes, kelp harvesting, and timber operations which are in accordance with a timber harvesting plan submitted pursuant to the provisions of the Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act of 1973(commencing with Section 4511 of the Public Resources Code).

As used in this section, "structure" includes any building, road, pipe, flume, conduit, siphon, aqueduct, telephone line, and electrical power transmission and distribution line.

"Development" does not mean a "change of organization", as defined in California Code Section 56021 or a "reorganization", as defined in California Code Section 56073.

Development Code. The Marin County Development Code, Title 22 of the Marin County Code, referred to herein as "this Development Code."

Development Permit. See "Land Use Permit."

Development Project. "Development project" includes a project involving the issuance of a permit for construction or reconstruction but not a permit to operate. "Development project" does not include any ministerial projects proposed to be carried out or approved by public agencies.

Director. The Director of the Marin County Community Development Agency or designee of the Director, referred to throughout this Development Code as "Director."

Disabled. A person with: (1) a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more of a person's major life activities; (2) a record of having such an impairment; or (3) being regarded as having such an impairment.

Disaster (coastal). Any situation in which the force or forces which destroy a structure were beyond the control of its owner. (Adapted from Public Resources Code Section 30610(g)(2)(A))

Discretionary Project. A development project which requires the exercise of judgment or deliberation when the public agency or body decides to approve or disapprove a particular activity, as distinguished from situations where the public agency or body merely determines whether there has been conformity with applicable statutes, ordinances, or regulations. A timber harvesting plan submitted to the State Forester for approval under the requirements of the Z'berg-Nejedly Forest Practice Act of 1973 (Pub. Res. Code Sections 4511 et seq.) constitutes a discretionary project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act Section 21065(c).

Discretionary Permit. A permit granted by a review authority in response to a land use permit application after applying the exercise of judgment or deliberation prior to making a decision. Includes any of the following entitlements/approvals established by Article IV (Land Use and Development Permits): Coastal Permits, Design Review, Floating Home Adjustment Permits, Floating Home Architectural Deviations, Master Plans and Precise Development Plans, Use Permits, Sign Review, Temporary Use Permits, Tentative Maps, Tidelands Permits, and Variances. See also "Ministerial Permit."

Disruption (coastal). Disruption of habitat values occurs when the physical habitat is significantly altered or when species diversity or the abundance or viability of species populations is reduced. The type of the proposed development, the particulars of its design, and location in relation to the habitat area, will affect the determination of disruption.

Domestic Water Use (coastal). Domestic water use is approved, potable water used for indoor and outdoor household and other non-residential purposes including drinking, cooking, personal hygiene, irrigation and the general operation of plumbing fixtures.

Dripline. A vertical line extending from the outermost edge of the tree canopy to the ground.

Drive-in and Drive-thru Sales (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale of food or other products to motorists who do not leave their vehicles to complete their purchases. Examples of facilities included under this land use are fast-food restaurants, drive-through photo processing facilities, coffee sales, dairy product stores, pharmacies, etc.

Drive-in and Drive-thru Services (land use). This land use consists of services provided to motorists who do not leave their vehicles to obtain the services. Examples of facilities included under this land use are drive-up bank teller windows, dry cleaners, etc. Does not include: automatic teller machines (ATMs) or automobile service stations, which are separately defined; or car washes (see "Repair and Maintenance - Vehicle").

Driveway. A vehicular access across private property, extending from an improved street to a building site.

Dune (coastal). Ridges or mounds of loose, wind-blown material, usually sand. A dune structure often has a back and foredune area. Stable dunes are often colonized by vegetation.

Dwelling, or Dwelling Unit. A room or group of internally connected rooms that have sleeping, food preparation, eating, and sanitation facilities, but not more than one kitchen, which constitute an independent housekeeping unit, occupied by or intended for one household on a long-term basis. Types of dwellings include single-family dwellings, two-family dwellings, multi-family dwellings, mobile homes, condominiums and townhouses, floating homes, and independent living units for the elderly.

E. Definitions, "E."

Easement, Conservation or Scenic. A grant of partial title from a landowner to a public or nonprofit agency for the purpose of protecting on-site environmental resources or scenic features by limiting the future development of the property.

Economic Life (coastal). A period of at least 100 years.

Educational Tours (land use). Interactive excursion for groups and organizations for the purpose of informing them of the unique aspects of a property, including agricultural operations and environmental resources.

Electrical and Electronic Equipment, Instruments (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of manufacturing machinery, apparatus, and supplies for the generation, storage, transmission, transformation and use of electrical energy. Examples of these products include:

- appliances including stoves/ovens, refrigerators, freezers, laundry equipment, fans, vacuum cleaners, sewing machines
- aviation instruments
- computers, computer components, peripherals
- electrical transmission and distribution equipment
- electronic components and accessories, semiconductors, integrated circuits, related devices
- electrical welding apparatus
- lighting and wiring equipment such as lamps and fixtures, wiring devices, vehicle lighting
- industrial controls, instruments for measurement, testing, analysis and control, associated sensors and accessories, miscellaneous electrical machinery, equipment and supplies such as batteries, X-ray apparatus and tubes, electromedical and electrotherapeutic apparatus, electrical equipment for internal combustion engines
- motors and generators
- optical instruments and lenses
- photographic equipment and supplies
- radio and television receiving equipment
- surgical, medical and dental instruments, equipment, and supplies
- storage media, blank and pre-recorded, including magnetic, magneto-optical, and optical products such as compact disks (CDs), computer diskettes and hard drives, digital versatile disks (DVDs), magnetic tape products, phonograph records, etc.
- surveying and drafting instruments
- telephone and telegraph apparatus
- transformers, switch gear and switchboards
- watches and clocks

Does not include testing laboratories (soils, materials testing, etc.) (see "Business Support Services"), or research and development facilities separate from manufacturing (see "Research and Development").

Emergency. A sudden, unexpected occurrence demanding immediate action to prevent or mitigate loss of, or damage to life, health, property, or essential public services.

Employee Housing. An accessory residential dwelling unit located in a commercial building on a parcel having a primary commercial land use and occupied by an employee of the commercial use on

the same property or a family member who is actively engaged in such commercial use.

Endangered Species. An Endangered Species is an animal or plant species in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range, as determined by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service consistent with the Endangered Species Act of 1973.

Energy Production Facility (coastal). Any public or private processing, producing, generating, storing, transmitting, or recovering facility for renewable or non-renewable energy resources, electricity, natural gas, petroleum, coals, solar or wind conversion, wave and tidal energy, biogas, or other source of energy.

Environmental Impact Report (EIR). An informational document in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Please refer to CEQA Section 21061 for a complete definition of an EIR.

Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). An informational document that analyzes a project's significant environmental effects and identifies mitigation measures and reasonable alternatives, in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area (ESHA) (coastal). Areas in which plant or animal life or their habitats are either rare or especially valuable because of their special nature or role in an ecosystem and which could be easily disturbed or degraded by human activities and developments.

The ESHAs in the County of Marin are habitats that are essential for the specific feeding, cover, reproduction, water, and activity pattern requirements of existing populations of special-status species of plants and animals, as designated by the California Department of Fish and Game and identified in the California Natural Diversity Database. In addition, ESHAs include existing populations of the plants listed as 1b or 2 by the California Native Plant Society and the following terrestrial communities that are identified in the California Natural Diversity Database:

- A. Central dune scrub
- B. Coastal terrace prairie
- C. Serpentine bunchgrass
- D. Northern maritime chaparral

Wetlands, estuaries, lakes, and portions of open coastal waters are considered ESHAs. Coastal streams and the riparian vegetation surrounding them are considered ESHAs.

Equestrian Facilities (land use). This land use consists of the commercial keeping of horses, donkeys, and mules in facilities, including:

- horse ranches
- boarding stables
- riding schools and academies
- horse exhibition facilities
- pack stations

This land use includes barns, stables, corrals, and paddocks accessory and incidental to the above uses. Noncommercial facilities of this type are included in the definition of "Agricultural Accessory Structures." This land use does not include the boarding of up to five horses on property in the ARP, C-ARP and C-APZ zones as indicated in Standard 5 of Table 3-7 (General Requirements for the Keeping of Large Animals).

ESHA (coastal) – See “Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Area”

Estuarine Habitats. A habitat made up of a mixture of fresh and salt waters.

Estuary (coastal). A coastal water body, usually semi-enclosed by land, having open, partially obstructed, or intermittent exchange with the open ocean, and in which ocean water is at least occasionally diluted by freshwater from the land. The salinity level may be periodically increased to above that of the open ocean due to evaporation. The mean high tide line shall be defined as the statistical mean of all the high tides over the cyclical period of 18.6 years, and shall be determined by reference to the records and elevations of tidal benchmarks established by the National Ocean Survey. In areas where observations covering a period of 18.6 years are not available, a determination may be made based on observations covering a shorter period, provided they are corrected to a mean value by comparison with observations made at some suitably located control tide station.

Exotic Animals. Non-domesticated animals that are carnivorous, poisonous, or not native to North America, commonly displayed in zoos as per Chapter 8.04 of the Marin County Code.

Existing (coastal). Extant at the time that a particular Coastal Permit application is accepted for filing.

Existing Residential Second Unit. A second unit existing prior to March 27, 1987, or the effective dates of resolutions establishing Second Unit Use Permit standards in specific communities (September 29, 1983 in Bolinas, January 10, 1984 in the Tamalpais Area, and June 25, 1985 in Stinson Beach). Also, see Residential Second Unit.

Existing Structure (coastal). A structure that is legal or legal non-conforming. For the purpose of implementing LCP policies regarding shoreline protective devices, a structure in existence since May 13, 1982.

F. Definitions, "F."

Factor of Safety (coastal). The quotient of the forces tending to resist a potential landslide divided by the forces tending to drive a potential landslide.

Family. One or more persons occupying a dwelling and living as a single, domestic housekeeping unit, as distinguished from a group occupying a hotel or motel, club, fraternity or sorority house.

Farm Equipment and Supplies Sales (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale, rental, or repair of agricultural machinery, equipment, and supplies for use in soil preparation and maintenance, the planting and harvesting of crops, and other operations and processes pertaining to farming and ranching.

Farm Worker Housing. See "Agricultural Worker Housing."

Farmer's Markets (land use). This land use consists of the temporary and/or occasional outdoor retail sale of farm produce from vehicles or temporary stands, located within a parking lot, or a public right-of-way (where authorized by encroachment permit).

Farmhouse (coastal). This land use consists of a single family dwelling that is the residence of the owner or operator of the agriculturally zoned property upon which it is located.

Feasible. That which is capable of being accomplished in a successful manner within a reasonable period of time, taking into account economic, environmental, social and technological factors.

Fill (coastal). Earth or any other substance or material, including pilings placed for the purpose of placing structures thereon, placed in a submerged area. Also, a deposit of earth material placed by artificial means; any act by which earth, sand, gravel, rock, or any other material is placed, pushed, dumped, pulled, transported, or moved to a new location above the natural surface of the ground, on top of the stripped surface, or in a submerged area.

Final Map. A subdivision map prepared in compliance with Subdivision Map Act, Article 2, Chapter 2, and approved in compliance with Subdivision Map Act, Article 4, Chapter 3.

Fire Inspector. A person empowered by the chief of a fire department to inspect property for fire safe landscape, wildland management or fire protection.

Fish Hatcheries and Game Reserves (land use). This land use consists of commercial fish hatcheries, rearing ponds, aquaculture, fish and game preserves, and game propagation. (See "Mariculture" for shellfish, kelp, algae, etc.)

Flag lot. See "Lot or Parcel."

Floating Home (land use). This land use consists of any boat, craft, living accommodation, or structure supported by means of floatation, designed to be used without a permanent foundation, that is used or intended for human habitation.

Floating Home Adjustment Permit. See Chapter 22.46 (Floating Home Adjustments and Deviations).

Floating Home Architectural Deviation. See Chapter 22.46 (Floating Home Adjustments and Deviations).

Floating Home Fairway. An area of water within a floating home marina that is used exclusively for access to other waters for vessels permanently moored in the floating home marina. A fairway shall not be used for the permanent mooring of any vessel or for piers, docks, ramps, walkways or other exit ways.

Floating Home Marina (land use). This land use consists of a facility that contains one or more berthing spaces for floating homes.

Flood Hazard Zone (coastal). Geographic areas defined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency according to varying levels of flood risk which are depicted on a community's Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM). Flood Hazard Zones with a "V" designation are located in coastal areas which have a one percent or greater chance of annual flooding and an additional hazard associated with storm waves. (Also referred to as the "V Zone")

Flood Velocity Zone (coastal). See "Flood Hazard Zone."

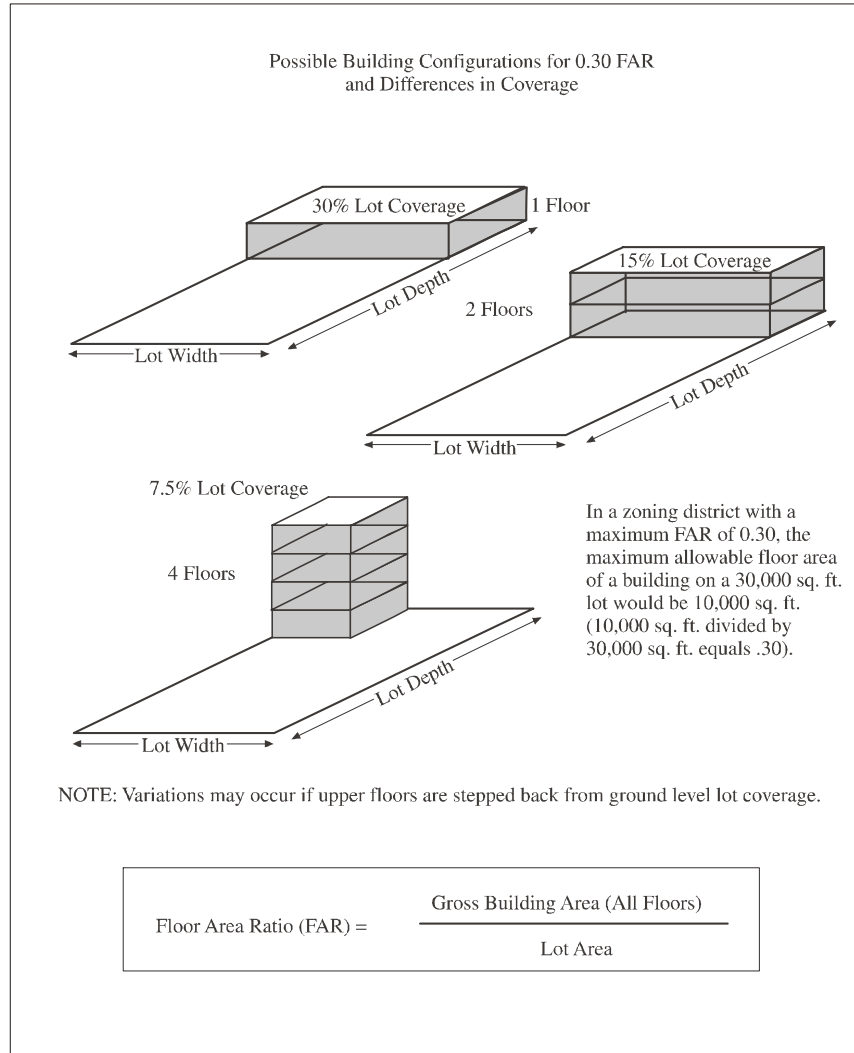
Floor Area. Except as specified by the Tamalpais Area Community Plan, the sum of the gross area of all floors in all buildings on a site, measured from the exterior faces of the exterior walls, including enclosed understory, basement, and attic space that can be easily converted to living area, but excluding:

1. All unenclosed horizontal surfaces, including balconies, courts, decks, porches, terraces;
2. For single-family residential structures, the first 250 square feet of floor area of all detached accessory structures not designed for and/or used for habitable space;
3. For single-family residential structures, the first 540 square feet of garage areas permanently allocated for vehicle parking;
4. For two-family, multi-family, and non-residential structures, all floor area that is required to meet minimum parking standards under Title 24;
5. Exterior wall thickness of greater than 6 inches, where the additional wall thickness results in greater energy efficiency (e.g. straw bale construction or earthen wall construction), as demonstrated by the applicant and subject to the approval of the Director; and
6. Bay windows.

The floor area of stairways, elevators, and other vertical accesses, is included in the total floor area only as to the "footprint" (area at the base) of the vertical access, and is not counted at each floor of a building. In order to qualify as an unenclosed horizontal surface, at least one of the longest wall planes of the space shall be kept open with the exception that railings with a surface area that is at least 50% open and unobstructed by structural elements and that are necessary for safety or convenience purposes may be allowed within the open wall plane. As defined herein, understory, basement, and attic space that can be easily converted to living area include: (1) unconditioned and unimproved spaces that yield a minimum clear room area of 7 feet by 7 feet and a minimum ceiling height of 7 ½ feet or higher; and (2) all attic areas with a minimum ceiling height of 5 feet or higher.

Floor Area Ratio (FAR). The total floor area of all buildings on a lot, divided by the area of that lot. For example, a building with 3,000 square feet of floor area on a 10,000 square foot lot has a FAR of 0.30. See Figure 8-1 (Floor Area Ratio).

**FIGURE 8-1
FLOOR AREA RATIO**



Food Preparation Facilities. Food preparation facilities may include, but are not limited to, a stove, oven, microwave, hot plate, refrigerator, sink, counters, or cabinets. Wet bars and snack bars are not considered food preparation facilities.

Food Products (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of or processing foods for human consumption, and certain other related products. Examples of the products included in this land use are:

- bakery products
- candy, sugar and confectionery products
- catering services separate from stores or restaurants
- dairy products
- fats and oil products
- fruit and vegetable canning, preserving, related processing
- grain mill products and by-products
- meat, poultry, and seafood canning, curing, byproduct processing
- miscellaneous food item preparation from raw products

Does not include: bakeries which sell all products on site (see "Retail Stores, General Merchandise"); beer brewing as part of a brew pub, bar or restaurant (see "Bars and Drinking Places"); beverage production other than dairy products (see "Beverage Production"); slaughterhouses and rendering plants (see "Slaughterhouses and Rendering Plants"); or operations on crops after harvest (see "Agricultural Processing Uses").

Footprint. The horizontal surface area covered by a structure.

Forestry (coastal). The practice of cultivating, managing, using, and conserving forests.

Front Wall. The wall of the building or other structure nearest the street upon which the building faces.

Front Wall (Signs). For the purposes of Chapter 22.28 (Signs), the front wall is the wall of a structure that contains the primary entrance or entrances to the premises. If there are entrances in more than one wall, the longest of the walls in which primary entrances are located shall be the front wall. The front wall includes not only the wall itself, but all doors, windows, and other openings and projections. See Figure 8-2.

Frontage. See "Lot Frontage."

Fuel and Ice Dealers (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale to consumers of ice, bottled water, fuel oil, butane, propane and liquefied petroleum gas (LPG), bottled or in bulk, as a principal use.

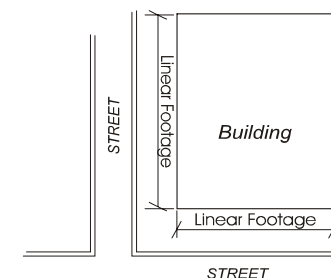
Fully Protected Species. Fully Protected species is a classification of fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals established by the California Department of Fish and Game prior to the Federal Endangered Species Act of 1973, to identify and provide additional protection to those animals that were rare or faced possible extinction at the time. Fully Protected species may not be taken or possessed at any time and no licenses or permits may be issued for their take except for collecting these species for necessary scientific research and relocation of the bird species for the protection of livestock. Species provided this classification are listed under the California Fish and Game Code Sections 3511, 4700, 5050, and 5515, however some of the listed species names are no longer consistent with current scientific nomenclature.

Functional Capacity (coastal). The ability of a habitat to be self-sustaining and to maintain natural species diversity or special-status species.

Furniture and Fixtures Manufacturing (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of products including:

- bedsprings and mattresses
- drapery hardware
- household appliances
- lockers
- office furniture
- partitions
- shades
- shelving
- store furniture
- window blinds
- wood and metal household furniture

**FIGURE 8-2
WALL FRONTAGE**



Perpendicular streets:
Only one frontage
may be counted

Includes wood and cabinet shops, but not sawmills or planing mills, which are instead included under "Lumber and Wood Products."

Furniture, Furnishings and Equipment Stores (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale of products including:

- draperies
- floor coverings
- furniture
- glass and chinaware
- home furnishings
- home sound systems
- large musical instruments
- lawn furniture
- movable spas and hot tubs
- office furniture
- other household electrical and gas appliances
- outdoor furniture
- refrigerators
- stoves
- televisions

G. Definitions, "G."

Garage, Carport, or Car Deck. See "Parking Structure."

General Plan. See "Marin Countywide Plan."

Glass Products (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of flat glass and other glass products that are pressed, blown, or shaped from glass produced in the same establishment. Does not include artisan and craftsman type operations of a larger scale than home occupations; see "Handcraft Industries and Small Scale Manufacturing."

Golf Courses/Country Clubs (land use). This land use consists of golf courses, and accessory facilities and uses including: clubhouses with bar and restaurant, locker and shower facilities; driving ranges; "pro shops" for on-site sales of golfing equipment and clothing; and golf cart storage and sales facilities.

Grade. The ground elevation used as the basis for measurement of allowed structure height. Grade shall be the elevation of the natural or finished grade at the exterior surface of the structure, whichever is more restrictive, and the elevation of the natural grade within the footprint of the structure.

Grantee/Grantor Index. The index to real property transfer transactions maintained by the Marin County Recorder.

Group Homes (land use). This land use consists of a dwelling unit licensed or supervised by any federal, state, or local health/welfare agency which provides 24-hour nonmedical care of unrelated persons who are not disabled but are in need of personal services, supervision, or assistance essential for sustaining the activities of daily living or for the protection of the individual in a family-like environment. Includes: children's homes; rehabilitation centers; self-help group homes. Medical care may be provided in conjunction with group homes that provide alcoholism or drug abuse recovery or treatment services. Convalescent homes, nursing homes and similar facilities providing medical care are included under the definition of "Medical Services - Extended Care."

Guest House (land use). This land use consists of a detached structure that has a bathroom and that contains more than 400 square feet of floor area that is subject to building permit requirements under the residential occupancy code. To be a guest house, the structure cannot contain food preparation facilities.

H. Definitions, "H."

Handcraft Industries, Small-Scale Manufacturing (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of products not classified in another major manufacturing group, including: jewelry; musical instruments; toys; sporting and athletic goods; pens, pencils, and other office and artists' materials; buttons, costume novelties, miscellaneous notions; brooms and brushes; and other miscellaneous manufacturing industries.

Harbors (land use). This land use consists of facilities providing a full range of services related to: commercial and recreational fishing; fisheries and hatcheries; seafood processing; ship and boat building and repair; marine hardware sales and service; petroleum storage and handling; boat storage and miscellaneous storage activities. Facilities primarily oriented toward recreational activities are included under the definition of "Marinas."

Hazardous Waste Facility. A state-licensed facility for the temporary storage and/or processing of hazardous waste.

Health/Fitness Facilities (land use). This land use consists of fitness centers, gymnasiums, health and athletic clubs including sauna, spa or hot tub facilities; tennis, handball, racquetball, archery and shooting ranges and other sports activities.

Health Officer. The Marin County Health Officer.

Height, Structure (coastal). The vertical distance from grade to the highest point of a structure. Maximum height shall be measured as the vertical distance from grade to an imaginary plane located the allowed number of feet above and parallel to the grade. The maximum height of buildings located in areas subject to tidal action shall be measured from MSL. Any structure built prior to April 8, 1980 shall be exempt from becoming nonconforming with respect to height. The height measurement for structures within Seadrift Subdivision in the special Flood Hazard (V-zone) shall be measured according to the requirements of LCP Policy C-EH-11.

Highway. State Route 1, State Route 101, and Panoramic Highway.

Historic Area. Areas mapped and described as historic areas in the Marin County Local Coastal Program, including those within Bolinas, Inverness, Marshall, Olema, Point Reyes Station, Stinson Beach, and Tomales.

Historic Lot. A unit of real property that was formerly a legal lot of record.

Historic Public Use (coastal). Use of private land as if it were public land in a manner that is substantial (rather than minimal) and continual, although not necessarily continuous, over a long period of time.

Historic Structure. As determined by the Marin County Local Coastal Program, any building constructed prior to 1930, including any accessory structures on a site.

Holiday Product Sales. See "Outdoor Retail Sales, Temporary."

Home Occupation (land use). This land use consists of the conduct of a business within a dwelling, or within an accessory building located on the same site as the dwelling, employing the occupant of the dwelling, with the business activity being subordinate to the residential use of the property. See Section 22.32.100 (Home Occupations).

Homeless Shelter. Housing with minimal supportive services for homeless persons that is limited to occupancy of six months or less by a homeless person. In order for a facility to be a homeless shelter, no person may be denied emergency shelter because of an inability to pay, per Health and Safety Code Section 50801(e).

Homestay (coastal). See “Agricultural Homestay Facility.”

Horses, Donkeys, Mules, Ponies (land use). This land use consists of the raising or keeping of horses, donkeys, mules, and/or ponies for domestic/recreational or agricultural purposes.

Hotel or Motel (land use). This land use consists of facilities with guest rooms and/or suites, provided with or without meals or kitchen facilities, rented to the general public for overnight or other temporary lodging (less than 30 days). Hotels provide access to most guest rooms from an interior walkway. Motels provide access to most guest rooms from an exterior walkway. Also includes accessory guest facilities such as swimming pools, tennis courts, indoor athletic facilities, accessory retail uses, etc.

Household Income. The gross annual household income considering household size, income of all wage earners, elderly or disabled family members, and all other sources of household income.

Household Pets (land use). This land use consists of the keeping of cats, dogs, and other domesticated animals, determined by the Director to be comparable based on factors including size, sanitation requirements, odor, noise, etc., accessory and incidental to a residential use.

Housing Authority. The Marin County Housing Authority, a nonprofit public corporation.

Housing Costs. The monthly mortgage principal and interest, property taxes, homeowners insurance, and condominium fees, where applicable, for ownership units; and the monthly rent for rental units.

Housing Director. The Executive Director of the Marin County Housing Authority.

Housing Project. A development of housing units at one location, including all units for which permits have been applied for or approved within a 12-month period.

HUD. The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, or its successor.

Hunting and Fishing Clubs - Private (land use). This land use consists of hunting of wildlife, fishing, and accessory structures where such activities are undertaken by the property owner(s) and their guests without a fee being charged.

Hunting and Fishing Clubs - Public (land use). This land use consists of hunting of wildlife, fishing, and accessory structures where such activities are undertaken by guests or members of the public for a fee.

I. Definitions, "I."

Immediate Family (coastal). A person's spouse, registered domestic partner, child, stepchild, parent, stepparent, grandparent, grandchild, brother, sister, parent-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, nephew, niece, aunt, uncle, or first cousin, or the spouse, child, stepchild or guardian of any of those persons.

Impoundments and Diversions. Impoundments and diversions refers to alterations in stream flows through holding or diverting water supply.

Including. Means "including but not limited to . . ."

Inclusionary Unit/Lot. A housing unit or lot that is required by Chapter 22.22 (Affordable Housing Regulations) to be affordable to extremely low, very low or low income households, as specified or that has been proposed by an applicant and approved by the County to meet the requirements of Chapter 22.22.

Income Qualifying Household. Household whose income is defined as extremely low, very low, low or moderate-income for Marin County as published by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) with adjustments for household size. Current or applicable schedule to be applied is at the discretion of the Director.

- a. Moderate income, 80 to 120 percent of area median income.
- b. Low income, 50 to 60 percent of area median income.
- c. Very low income, 30 to 50 percent of area median income.
- d. Extremely low income, 30 percent and less of area median income.

Income Restricted Housing. Dwelling units with long-term income restriction which restrict occupancy to households at or below a specific income.

Indoor Recreation Centers (land use). This land use consists of facilities providing indoor amusement/entertainment services for a fee or admission charge, such as:

- bowling alleys
- card rooms
- coin-operated amusement arcades
- dance halls, clubs and ballrooms
- electronic game arcades
- ice skating and roller skating rinks
- pool and billiard rooms

Five or more electronic games or coin-operated amusements in any establishment is considered an electronic game arcade as described above. Four or less machines are not considered a land use separate from the primary use of the site.

Infant. An infant is a child less than 12 months of age.

Initial Study. A preliminary analysis to determine whether an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) or a Negative Declaration must be prepared, and to identify any significant environmental effects that are to either be mitigated or further analyzed.

In-Lieu Fee. A fee paid to the County by developers in lieu of providing required on-site inclusionary units or lots, or a fee paid to the County by developers in lieu of dedicating parkland, or a fee paid to the County to comply with other Code requirements.

Institutional Structure, or Use. A publicly-owned structure accommodating a public facility; or a private structure designed and operated as a church, hospital, school, or similar facility

Intergenerational Home (coastal). In the C-APZ land use designation and zoning district, a dwelling unit allowed in addition to otherwise permitted development for residence exclusively by members of the farm operator's or owner's immediate family, where this home is not subdivided from the primary agricultural parcel.

J. Definitions, "J."

Junk. Materials that characterize junk typically include automotive parts, vehicle body parts, inoperable vehicles, household furniture, appliances, household trash, building materials, scrap wood, scrap metal, and machine parts.

Junk Yard (land use). This land use consists of outdoor storage occupying an area of 200 square feet or more, or the storage of junk in any yard adjoining a street, for collecting and assembling, storing, breaking up, sorting, and the temporary storage and distribution of recyclable or reusable scrap and waste materials, including auto wreckers engaged in dismantling automobiles for scrap, and the incidental wholesale or retail sales of parts from those vehicles. In no case shall the stored junk exceed a height of five feet.

K. Definitions, "K."

Kennels and Animal Boarding (land use). This land use consists of the keeping, boarding or maintaining of six or more household pets at least four months of age or older, except for household pets in pet shops or animal hospitals. "Kennel" does not mean and does not include any lot or premises on which a person has been issued a dog hobbyist or ranch dog permit in compliance with the provisions of Sections 8.04.245 or 8.04.246 of the Marin County Code.

Kitchen. See "Food Preparation Facilities."

L. Definitions, "L."

Lagoon (coastal). A shallow body of water, such as a pond or lake, usually located near or connected to the sea.

Lake (coastal). A relatively large and deep confined perennial water body that is mapped by the USGS.

Land Use. The purpose for which land or a building thereon is occupied.

Land Use Permit. Any of the entitlements/approvals described by Article IV (Land Use and Development Permits), including Design Review, Floating Home Adjustment Permits, Use Permits, Temporary Use Permits, Tidelands Permits, Variances, Master Plans, or Precise Development Plans.

Landscaped Area. The entire planting area within a parcel affected by new plantings and supporting irrigation, excluding building footprints, paved driveways, parking areas, decks, patios, walkways and undisturbed natural areas. Water features are included in the landscaped area.

Large Family Day Care Home (land use). See "Child Day Care Facilities."

Laundries and Dry Cleaning Plants (land use). This land use consists of service facilities engaged primarily in high volume laundry and garment services, including: power laundries (family and commercial); garment pressing and dry cleaning; linen supply; diaper service; industrial laundries; and carpet and upholstery cleaners. Does not include coin-operated laundries or dry cleaning pick-up stores without dry cleaning equipment; see "Personal Services."

LCP. See "Local Coastal Program."

Legal Lot (coastal). See "Legal Lot of Record"

Legal Lot of Record. A parcel is considered to be a legal lot of record if it was created in conformance with any of the following criteria:

- A. Recorded subdivision. The lot was created through a subdivision Final map or Parcel map recorded on or after January 1, 1930. Antiquated subdivisions may not be deemed to have created lots. A lot created on a subdivision Final map or Parcel map recorded before January 1, 1930 may be considered a legal lot if it has been reconveyed subsequently with references made to the original subdivision Final map or Parcel map
- B. Individual lot legally created by deed. The lot was legally created by deed in compliance with the zoning and subdivision requirements that applied at the time of creation.
- C. Government conveyance. The lot was created by conveyance to a governmental entity.

When historic lots were merged by agency action or pursuant to applicable state law, the merged historic lots comprise a single legal lot of record.

Lead Agency. The public agency which has the principal responsibility for carrying out or approving a project which may have a significant effect upon the environment.

Libraries and Museums (land use). This land use consists of public or quasi-public facilities including aquariums, arboretums, art exhibitions, botanical gardens, historic sites and exhibits, libraries, museums, and planetariums, which are generally non-commercial in nature.

Liquor Store (land use). A retail store offering beer, wine, and/or distilled spirits for off-premise consumption which either devotes 20% or more of the floor area or display area to, or derives 75% or more of gross sales receipts from, the sale of these products.

Livestock Operations, Grazing (land use). This land use consists of the raising or keeping of cattle, or other animals of similar size, where feed is provided primarily by grazing when on-site resources are available. Does not include the keeping of horses, donkeys, mules, or ponies, (see "Horses, Donkeys, Mules and Ponies").

Livestock Operations, Large Animals (land use). This land use consists of the raising or keeping of cattle, goats, ostriches, sheep, hogs, or other farm or exotic animals of similar size, in corrals or other similar enclosures. Does not include the keeping of horses, donkeys, mules, or ponies, (see "Horses, Donkeys, Mules and Ponies") or the grazing or pasturing of large animals on open rangeland (see "Livestock Operations, Grazing"). See also, "Dairy Operations."

Livestock Operations, Sales/Feed Lots, Stockyards (land use). This land use consists of specialized and intensive commercial animal facilities including animal sales yards, stockyards, and cattle feedlots. Feedlots are any site where cattle are held or maintained for the purposes of feeding/fattening, for market or milking, and where at least 60 percent of the feed is imported or purchased. Does not include slaughterhouses or rendering plants; see "Slaughterhouses and Rendering Plants." See also, "Dairy Operations."

Livestock Operations, Small Animals (land use). This land use consists of the raising or keeping of up to 12 fowl and/or 12 rabbits or similar animals. Does not include hog raising, dairying or the raising or keeping for commercial purposes of cattle, horses, or similar livestock, as determined by the Director; see "Livestock Operations, Large Animals."

Local Coastal Program (LCP). A document that consists of a Land Use Plan and relevant portions of the County's Development Code, zoning Ordinances and Zoning District maps prepared and adopted by the County and certified by the Coastal Commission in compliance with the California Coastal Act of 1976 (Division 20 of the Public Resources Code).

Lot. A legal lot of record. Types of lots include the following. See Figure 8-3 (Lot Types).

1. **Corner Lot.** A lot located at the intersection of two or more streets, bounded on two or more sides by street lines.
2. **Flag Lot.** A lot having access from the building site to a public street by means of private right-of-way strip that is owned in fee or by means of an access easement.
3. **Interior Lot.** A lot abutting only one street.
4. **Through Lot.** A lot with frontage on two generally parallel streets.

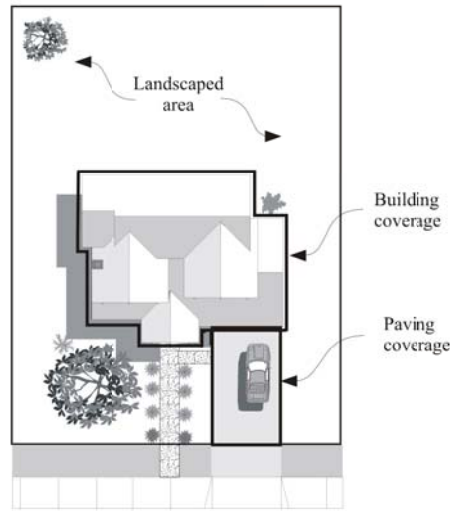
**FIGURE 8-3
LOT TYPES**



Lot Area. Lot area is the total area included within the lot lines of a lot, exclusive of adjacent street rights of way and any portion of the property located below mean high tide that is subject to tidal action.

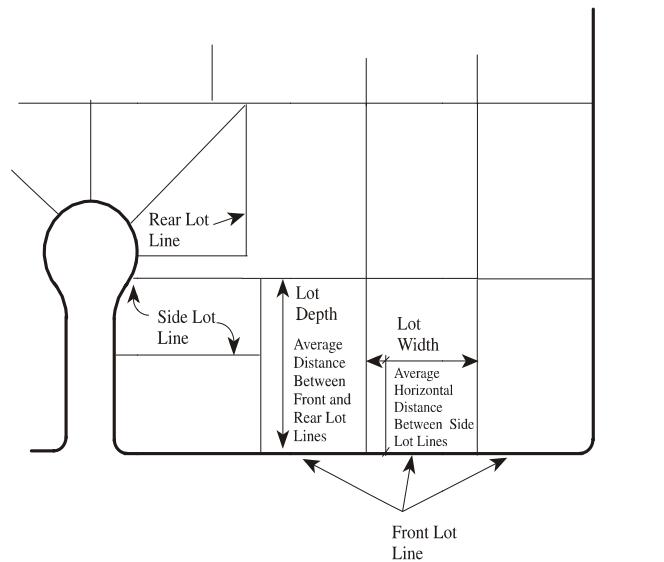
Lot Coverage. Lot coverage is the percentage of total site area occupied by structures, and paving for vehicle and pedestrian use. Structure/building coverage includes the primary structure, all accessory structures (e.g., carports, garages, patio covers, storage sheds, trash dumpster enclosures, etc.) and architectural features (e.g., chimneys, balconies, decks, porches, stairs, etc.). Structure/building coverage is measured from exterior wall to exterior wall. Pavement coverage includes areas necessary for the ingress, egress, outdoor parking, and circulation of motor vehicles and pedestrians. See Figure 8-4 (Lot Coverage).

**FIGURE 8-4
LOT COVERAGE**



Lot Depth. The average linear distance between the front and the rear lot lines or the intersection of the two side lot lines if there is no rear line. See Figure 8-5 (Lot Lines and Lot Features). The Director shall determine lot depth for parcels of irregular configuration.

**FIGURE 8-5
LOT LINES AND LOT FEATURES**



Lot Frontage. The boundary of a lot adjacent to a public or private street right-of-way.

Lot Line, or Property Line. Any recorded boundary of a lot. Types of lot lines are as follows (see Figure 8-5 (Lot Lines and Lot Features)):

1. **Front Lot Line.** On an interior lot, the property line separating the parcel from the street. The front lot line on a corner lot is the property line bounding the street to which the property is addressed and the street from which access is taken. On a through lot, both lot lines are front lot lines and the lot is considered to have no rear lot line.
2. **Interior Lot Line.** Any lot line not abutting a street.
3. **Rear Lot Line.** A property line that does not intersect the front lot line, which is most distant from and most closely parallel to the front lot line.
4. **Side Lot Line.** Any lot line that is not a front or rear lot line.

Lot Width. The average horizontal distance between the side lot lines. See Figure 8-5 (Lot Lines and Lot Features). The Director shall determine lot width for parcels of irregular shape.

Low Impact Development (LID): A development site-design strategy with a goal of maintaining or reproducing the site's pre-development hydrologic functions of storage, infiltration, and groundwater recharge, as well as maintaining the volume and rate of stormwater discharges. Low Impact Development strategies use small-scale integrated and distributed management practices, including minimizing impervious surfaces, infiltrating stormwater close to its source, and preserving permeable soils and native vegetation.

Low Income. See "Income Qualifying Household"

Lumber and Wood Products (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture, processing, and sale of milled forest products, including rough and finished lumber and other wood materials for use in other manufacturing, craft, or construction processes. Includes the following processes and products:

- containers, pallets and skids
- milling operations
- trusses and structural beams
- turning and shaping of wood products
- wholesaling of basic wood products
- wood product assembly

Craft-type shops are included in "Handcraft Industries and Small-Scale Manufacturing." Other wood and cabinet shops are included under "Furniture and Fixture Manufacturing." The indoor retail sale of building materials, construction tools and equipment is included under "Building Material Stores."

M. Definitions, "M."

Machinery Manufacturing (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of machinery and equipment for purposes and products including the following:

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| - bulldozers | - industrial furnaces and ovens |
| - carburetors | - industrial molds |
| - construction | - laundry and dry cleaning |
| - conveyors | - materials handling |
| - cranes | - mining |
| - die casting | - oil field equipment |
| - dies | - paper manufacturing |
| - dredging | - passenger and freight elevators |
| - engines and turbines | - pistons |
| - farm and garden | - printing |
| - food products manufacturing | - pumps |
| - gear cutting | - refrigeration equipment |
| - heating, ventilation, air conditioning | - textile manufacturing |
| - industrial trucks and tractors | |

Map Act. See "Subdivision Map Act."

Major Energy Facility (coastal). Any public or private processing, producing, generating, storing, transmitting, or recovering facility for electricity, natural gas, petroleum, coal, or other source of energy that costs more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) with an automatic annual increase in accordance with the Engineering News Record Construction Cost Index, except for those governed by the provisions of Public Resources Code Section 30610, 30610.5, 30611 or 30624.

Major Public Works Project (coastal). This land use consists of: (1) Publicly financed recreational facilities that serve, affect, or otherwise impact regional or statewide use of the coast by increasing or decreasing public recreational opportunities or facilities; and (2) Facilities that cost more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) with an automatic annual increase in accordance with the Engineering News Record Construction Cost Index, except for those governed by the provisions of Public Resources Code Section 30610, 30610.5, 30611 or 30624 and that fall within one of the following categories:

- a) Production, storage, transmission, and recovery facilities for water, sewerage, telephone, and other similar utilities owned or operated by any public agency or by any utility subject to the jurisdiction of the California Public Utilities Commission, except for energy facilities;
- b) Public transportation facilities, including streets, roads, highways, public parking lots and structures, ports, harbors, airports, railroads, and mass transit facilities and stations, bridges, trolley wires, and other related facilities;
- c) Projects of the State Coastal Conservancy and any development by a special district;
- d) Community college facilities.

Major Vegetation (coastal). Any vegetation on a beach or sand dune, within fifty feet of the edge of a coastal bluff, in an environmentally sensitive habitat area (ESHA) or its buffer, or heritage trees and vegetation that is visually prominent and a significant part of the viewshed. Agricultural croplands and

pastures and nonnative ornamental vegetation are not considered to be major vegetation. The removal of vegetation for defensible space, including the pruning and maintenance of understory vegetation within 100 feet of a building or structure, the maintenance of trees and removal of trees less than 6 inches in DBH (diameter at breast height) within 100 feet of a building or structure, and the removal of vegetation within 100 feet of a power pole and/or transmission line by a public agency or their representative do not constitute removal or harvesting of major vegetation.

Mariculture (land use). This land use consists of the culture and husbandry of aquatic organisms including shellfish, mollusks, crustaceans, kelp, and algae. (See "Fish Hatcheries and Game Reserves," for activities related to fish.)

Marin Countywide Plan. The Marin Countywide Plan, including all its elements and all amendments, adopted as the General Plan by the Board of Supervisors under the provisions of Government Code Sections 65300 et seq.

Marinas (land use). This land use consists of recreationally-oriented small craft harbors that may include mooring and launching facilities and accessory facilities for boat servicing. Mooring, launching, and service facilities oriented primarily toward the needs of commercial fishing are included under the definition of "Harbors." Marinas accommodating floating homes are defined as "Floating Home Marinas."

Marine Environment (coastal). The marine environment consists of the ocean, the high-energy coastline, and bays, inlets, lagoons, and estuaries subject to the tides. Marine habitats are affected by the waves and currents of the open ocean and the water regimes are determined primarily by the ebb and flow of oceanic tides.

Master Plan. See Chapter 22.44 (Master Plans and Precise Development Plans).

Medical Services - Clinics and Laboratories (land use). This land use consists of businesses primarily engaged in furnishing outpatient medical, mental health, surgical and other personal health services, but which are separate from hospitals, including:

- health management organizations (HMOs)
- medical and dental laboratories
- medical, dental and psychiatric offices
- out-patient care facilities
- other allied health services

Counseling services by other than medical doctors or psychiatrists are included under "Offices."

Medical Services – Extended Care (land use). This land use consists of the provision of nursing and health-related care as a principal use, with in-patient beds. This land use includes: board and care homes; convalescent and rest homes; extended care facilities; and skilled nursing facilities that are licensed or supervised by any federal, state, or local health/welfare agency. Long-term personal care facilities that do not emphasize medical treatment are included under "Residential Care Facilities," and "Group Homes."

Medical Services - Hospitals (land use). This land use consists of the provision of diagnostic services and extensive medical treatment, including surgical and other related services. These establishments have an organized medical staff, inpatient beds, and equipment and facilities to provide complete health care services. May include on-site accessory clinics and laboratories, accessory retail uses and emergency heliports (see the separate definition of "Accessory Retail Uses").

Membership Organization Facilities (land use). This land use consists of permanent headquarters and meeting facilities for organizations operating on a membership basis for the promotion of the interests of the members, including facilities for:

- business associations
- civic, social and fraternal organizations
- country clubs (golf courses separately defined)
- labor unions and similar organizations
- political organizations
- professional membership organizations
- other membership organizations

Metal Fabrication, Machine and Welding Shops (land use). This land use consists of the assembly of metal parts, including the following uses that produce metal duct work, tanks, towers, cabinets and enclosures, metal doors and gates, and similar products.

- blacksmith and welding shops
- sheet metal shops
- machine shops and boiler shops

Mezzanine. An intermediate floor placed within any story or room. If the total floor area of a mezzanine is more than one-third of the total floor area of the room, it shall be considered an additional story.

Mineral Resource Extraction (land use). This land use consists of the extraction from the ground of hydrocarbons, gravel, or sand resources, or other commercial surface mining or underground mining and processing activity. Oil and gas well drilling, geothermal wells, production operations and related facilities are not permitted.

Mini Mart. A convenience retail store on the site of a service station, which typically sells food products and other products serving the needs of travelers.

Ministerial Permit. A permit granted for a development after applying fixed, objective standards with little or no subjective evaluation as to the wisdom or manner of carrying out the project. Examples are Sign Permit, Large Family Day-care Permit, Homeless Shelter Permit, Certificate of Compliance, Second Unit Permit, Final Map approval, and Building Permits. See also "Discretionary Permit."

Minor. Any person under 18 years of age.

Mixed Use. An existing or proposed development that includes more than one type of land use.

Mobile Home. A trailer, transportable in one or more sections, that is certified under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Standards Act of 1974, which is over eight feet in width and 40 feet in length, with or without a permanent foundation and not including recreational vehicle, commercial coach or factory-built housing. A mobile home on a permanent foundation is included under the definition of "Single-Family Dwellings."

Mobile Home Park (land use). This land use consists of any site that is planned and improved to accommodate two or more mobile homes used for residential purposes, or on which two or more mobile home lots are rented, leased, or held out for rent or lease, or were formerly held out for rent or lease and later converted to a subdivision, cooperative, condominium, or other form of resident ownership, to accommodate mobile homes used for residential purposes.

Moor. The fixing of a vessel in one location, temporarily or permanently, by mooring, anchoring, grounding, or any other means.

Motel. See "Hotel or Motel."

Multi-Family Dwellings (land use). This land use consists of multiple detached dwellings on the same lot, or a building or a portion of a building used and/or designed as residences for two or more families living independently of each other. Includes: duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes and apartments (five or more units under one ownership in a single building); and townhouse development (three or more attached single-family dwellings where no unit is located over another unit. Second units and farm worker housing are not considered in the calculation of the number of units for this definition and do not convert a single-family development into a multi-family development.

Mutual Water Company. A state-licensed water purveyor providing domestic water to multiple residences, where the owners of property being served are shareholders in the company.

N. Definitions, "N."

NAVD (North American Vertical Datum). A vertical elevation control datum used in height measurements.

Native Tree. Any tree in the list "Trees Native to Marin County," maintained and provided by the Department.

Native Tree Removal. Generally means the destruction of any protected tree or the alteration of any protected tree which may adversely affect the health and survival of the tree. Includes "removal of a tree." Routine trimming and pruning is not considered tree removal for the purpose of this Chapter.

Natural Disaster. Any situation in which the force or forces which destroyed a structure were beyond the control of the owner, including fire, flood, storm, explosion, landslide, earthquake, or other similar conditions.

Nature Preserves (land use). This land use consists of sites with environmental resources intended to be preserved in their natural state.

Negative Declaration. A written statement describing the reasons that a proposed project that is not otherwise exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) will not have a significant adverse effect on the environment and, therefore, does not require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Please refer to CEQA Guidelines Section 15369.5 for a complete definition of a Negative Declaration.

New Development (coastal). For purposes of applying Section 30212 of the Coastal Act, new development consists of any development other than the following:

- (1) Replacement of any structure pursuant to the provisions of subdivision (g) of Section 30610
- (2) The demolition and reconstruction of a single-family residence; provided, that the reconstructed residence shall not exceed either the floor area, height or bulk of the former structure by more than 10 percent, and that the reconstructed residence shall be sited in the same location on the affected property as the former structure.
- (3) Improvements to any structure which do not change the intensity of its use, which do not increase either the floor area, height, or bulk of the structure by more than 10 percent, which do not block or impede public access, and which do not result in a seaward encroachment by the structure.
- (4) The reconstruction or repair of any seawall; provided, however, that the reconstructed or repaired seawall is not a seaward of the location of the former structure.
- (5) Any repair or maintenance activity for which the Coastal Commission has determined by regulation, pursuant to Section 30610, that a coastal development permit will be required unless the Coastal Commission determines that the activity will have an adverse impact on lateral public access along the beach.

As used here "bulk" means total interior cubic volume as measured from the exterior surface of the structure.

Nonconforming Lot. A lot of record that was legally created, but does not conform with this Development Code because the lot is of a size, shape, or configuration no longer allowed in the zoning district that applies to the site, as a result of the adoption of, or amendments to this Development Code.

Nonconforming Structure. A structure that was legally constructed, but does not conform with this Development Code because amendments to this Development Code or the previous Marin County Zoning Ordinance made the structure nonconforming in its size, location on its site, separation from other structures, number of parking spaces provided, or other features.

Nonconforming Use. A use of land, and/or within a structure, that was legally established, but does not conform with this Development Code because the use is no longer allowed in the zoning district that applies to the site, as a result of amendments to this Development Code or the previous Marin County Zoning Ordinance.

O. Definitions, "O."

Oak Woodland Management Guidelines. The Oak Woodland Management Guidelines adopted by the Board and on file with the Agency.

Occupancy. The use or operation of a site or structure for an approved land use.

Off-Road Vehicle Courses (land use). This land use consists of areas set aside for the use of off-road vehicles, including dirt bikes, motorcycles, and four-wheel drive vehicles. Does not include sports assembly facilities (see "Sports Facilities and Outdoor Public Assembly"), or simple access roads that are usable only by four-wheel or two-wheel drive vehicles in conjunction with a permitted land use.

Off-Site Product. A product that is produced on property other than the site where it is offered for sale.

Offices, Business (land use). This land use consists of the provision of direct services to consumers. This land use includes establishments such as insurance agencies, real estate offices, and post offices (not including bulk mailing distribution centers, which are included under "Vehicle and Freight Terminals").

Does not include: medical offices (see "Medical Services - Clinics and Laboratories"); or offices that are incidental and accessory to another business or sales activity that is the principal use. Incidental offices that are customarily accessory to another use are allowed as part of an approved principal use.

Offices, Professional (land use). This land use consists of professional or government offices including:

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| - accounting, auditing and bookkeeping services | - educational, scientific and research organizations |
| - advertising agencies | - employment, stenographic, secretarial and word processing services |
| - architectural, engineering, planning and surveying services | - government offices including agency and administrative office facilities |
| - attorneys | - management, public relations and consulting services |
| - counseling services | - photography and commercial art studios |
| - court reporting services | - writers and artists offices outside the home |
| - data processing and computer services | |
| - detective agencies and similar services | |

Does not include: medical offices (see "Medical Services - Clinics and Laboratories") or offices that are incidental and accessory to another business or sales activity that is the principal use. Incidental offices that are customarily accessory to another use are allowed as part of an approved principal use.

Offices, Property Management (land use). This land use consists of accessory offices on the site of an apartment complex, mobile home park, or commercial facility, for the purpose of providing tenant services.

Offices, Temporary (land use). This land use consists of a mobile home, recreational vehicle or modular unit used as a temporary office facility. Temporary Offices may include: construction supervision offices on a construction site or off-site construction yard; a temporary on-site real estate office for a development project; or a temporary business office in advance of permanent facility construction.

Offices, Temporary Real Estate (land use). This land use consists of the temporary use of a dwelling unit within a residential development project as a sales office for the units on the same site, which is converted to residential use at the conclusion of its office use.

On-Site Product. A product that is produced on the same property where it is offered for sale.

Open Coastal Waters (coastal). The marine environment in the Coastal Zone.

Open Water. In conjunction with a Floating Home Marina, a privately owned or controlled water area, which is devoid of any structure or appurtenances including mooring facilities for any vessels or piers, docks, ramps, walkways or other exit ways.

Organizational Houses (land use). This land use consists of residential lodging houses operated by membership organizations for their members and not open to the general public. Includes fraternity and sorority houses.

Original Lot. A contiguous area of real property under one ownership, which is proposed for division in compliance with Article VI (Subdivisions) of this Development Code.

Outdoor Commercial Recreation (land use). This land use consists of facilities for various outdoor participant sports and types of recreation where a fee is charged for use, including:

- amusement and theme parks
- drive-in theaters
- go-cart and miniature auto race tracks
- golf driving ranges separate from golf courses
- health and athletic club outdoor facilities
- miniature golf courses
- skateboard parks
- swim and tennis clubs
- tennis courts
- water slides
- zoos

May also include commercial facilities customarily associated with the above outdoor commercial recreational uses, including bars and restaurants, fast-food restaurants, video game arcades, etc. Spectator facilities are included in the definition of "Sport Facilities and Outdoor Public Assembly."

Outdoor Retail Sales and Activities (land use). This land use consists of the outdoor retail sale or rental of autos and other vehicles and equipment, lumber, and other uses where the business is not conducted entirely within a structure.

Outdoor Retail Sales, Temporary (land use). This land use consists of the temporary outdoor retail sales activities, examples of which include:

- Christmas trees, pumpkins or the sale of other seasonal items
- semi-annual sales of art/handcrafted items in conjunction with community festivals or art shows
- sidewalk or parking lot sales longer than one weekend
- retail sales in temporary locations outside the public right-of-way

Farmer's markets are separately defined.

P. Definitions, "P."

Paper Products (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of paper and paperboard, from both raw and recycled materials, and their conversion into products such as paper bags, boxes, envelopes, wallpaper, etc.

Paper Street. Any street, road, or public vehicular access, or portion thereof, shown on a subdivision map recorded prior to April 3, 1953, which is undeveloped and/or unimproved, excluding "driveways", as previously defined.

Parcel. A unit of real property.

Parcel (coastal). See "Legal Lot of Record"

Parcel Map. The subdivision map described by the Subdivision Map Act, Article 3, Chapter 2, which is required by Article VI (Subdivisions) of this Development Code to complete a subdivision of four or fewer lots.

Parking Structure. Parking space or shelter for automobiles or other vehicles.

1. A garage is an attached or detached accessory structure, which is enclosed on at least three sides;
2. A carport is an attached or detached accessory structure, which is enclosed on no more than two sides;
3. A car deck is an unenclosed and uncovered platform providing off-street parking spaces, normally constructed at the street level of a sloping lot.

Parks and Playgrounds (land use). This land use consists of public parks, play lots, playgrounds, and athletic fields for non-commercial neighborhood or community use, including tennis courts. If privately-owned, the same facilities are included under the definition of "Private Residential Recreation Facilities." See also "Golf Courses/Country Clubs," "Outdoor Commercial Recreation," and "Sport Facilities and Outdoor Public Assembly."

Paving and Roofing Materials (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of various common paving and petroleum-based roofing materials, including bulk asphalt, paving blocks made of asphalt, creosote wood and various compositions of asphalt and tar. The manufacture of wood roofing materials (shingles, shakes, etc.) is included under "Lumber and Wood Products."

Permitted Use. A land use allowed by Article II (Zoning Districts and Allowable Land Uses) subject to compliance with all applicable provisions of this Development Code, and subject to first obtaining any building permit or any other permit required by the County Code.

Person. Any natural person, partnership, cooperative association, private corporation, public corporation, personal representative, receiver, trustee, assignee, or any other legal entity.

Personal Services (land use). This land use consists of the provision of non-medically related services. Examples of facilities included in this land use include: beauty and barber shops; clothing rental; dry cleaning pick-up stores; laundromats (self-service laundries); psychic readers; shoe repair shops; tanning salons. These uses may also include accessory retail sales of products related to the services provided.

Pipelines and Utility Lines (land use). This land use consists of transportation facilities for the conveyance of water or commodities other than petroleum. Also includes pipeline surface and terminal facilities, including pump stations, bulk stations, surge and storage tanks. Utility lines include facilities for the transmission of electrical energy for sale, including transmission lines for a public utility company. Also includes telephone, telegraph, cable television and other communications transmission

facilities utilizing direct physical conduits. Does not include offices or service centers (see "Offices"), or distribution substations (see "Public Utility Facilities").

Planned District. Any zoning district established by Sections 22.06.020 (Zoning Districts Established), and Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards), that is not included under the definition of "Conventional District" provided by this Chapter. The planned districts include:

C-APZ (Coastal, Agricultural Production Zone)	RX (Residential, Mobile Home Park)RF
ARP (Agricultural, Residential Planned)	(Residential, Floating Home Marina)
C-ARP (Coastal, Agricultural, Residential Planned)	RMPC (Residential/Commercial Multiple Planned)
RSP (Residential, Single-Family Planned)	CP (Planned Commercial)
C-RSP (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned)	OP (Planned Office)
C-RSPS (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned, Seadrift Subdivision)	RCR (Resort and Commercial Recreation)
RMP (Residential, Multiple Planned)	C-RCR (Coastal, Resort and Commercial Recreational)
C-RMP (Coastal, Residential, Multiple Planned)	C-RMPC (Coastal, Residential/Commercial Multiple Planned)
	C-CP (Coastal, Planned Commercial)
	I-P (Industrial, Planned)
	RF (Floating Home Marina)

Planning Commission. The Marin County Planning Commission, appointed by the Board of Supervisors as provided by Government Code Section 65101, and Title 2 of the Marin County Code, referred to throughout this Development Code as the "Commission."

Plant Nurseries (land use). This land use consists of the commercial production of ornamental plants and other nursery products, grown under cover or outdoors. May include establishments engaged in the sale of such products, and commercial scale greenhouses. The sale of house plants or other nursery products is also included under "Retail Stores, General Merchandise." Home greenhouses are included under "Residential Accessory Uses and Structures."

Plastics and Rubber Products (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of rubber products such as: tires; rubber footwear; mechanical rubber goods; heels and soles; flooring; and other rubber products from natural, synthetic or reclaimed rubber. Also includes establishments engaged primarily in manufacturing tires. Also includes: establishments engaged in molding primary plastics for other manufacturers, and manufacturing miscellaneous finished plastics products; fiberglass manufacturing, and fiberglass application services. Establishments engaged primarily in recapping and retreading automobile tires are classified in "Auto, Mobile home, Vehicle and Supplies Sales."

Playground. See "Parks and Playgrounds."

Poster Board. A sign consisting of a framed or unframed surface, freestanding or attached to a wall or fence or other structure, designed and located only for the display of announcements of coming performances of cultural, educational, and athletic events.

Precise Development Plan. See Chapter 22.44 (Master Plans and Precise Development Plans).

Premise(s). The site of a land use or activity subject to the requirements of this Development Code.

Prescriptive Rights (coastal). Public rights that are acquired over private lands through use as defined by California law.

Primary Structure. See "Structure, primary."

Primary Zoning District. One of the agricultural, residential, commercial, or special purpose zoning districts established by Sections 22.06.020 (Zoning Districts Established) and Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards), that is applied to a site by the Zoning Map in addition to one or more of the combining districts established by Section 22.06.020.

Principal Structure (coastal). The primary use or structure on the property.

Printing and Publishing (land use). This land use consists of printing by letterpress, lithography, gravure, screen, offset, or electrostatic (xerographic) copying, and other "quick printing" services; and other establishments serving the printing trade such as bookbinding, typesetting, engraving, photoengraving and electrotyping. This use also includes establishments that publish newspapers, books and periodicals; and establishments manufacturing business forms and binding devices.

Private Residential Recreation Facilities (land use). This land use consists of privately-owned, non-commercial outdoor recreation facilities provided for members or project/neighborhood residents, including swim and tennis clubs, park and sport court facilities. Does not include golf courses/country clubs, which are separately defined.

Private Road. A street or right-of-way owned and maintained by a private person(s) or entity(ies).

Project. See "Development, or Project."

Property Line. See "Lot Line or Property Line."

Proposed Parcel(s). Each separate parcel shown on a tentative map or lot line adjustment, as proposed by an applicant.

Protected Tree and Heritage Tree. Any one of the following as indicated in the table below:

Common Name	Botanical Name	Protected Size Diameter at Breast Height	Heritage Size Diameter at Breast Height
Arroyo willow	<i>S. lasiolepis</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Big-leaf maple	<i>Acer macrophyllum</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Bishop pine	<i>Pinus muricata</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Blue oak	<i>Q. douglasii</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Box elder	<i>A. negundo</i> var. <i>californicum</i>	10 inches	30 inches
California bay	<i>Umbellularia californica</i>	10 inches	30 inches
California black oak	<i>Q. kelloggii</i>	6 inches	18 inches
California buckeye	<i>Aesculus californica</i>	10 inches	30 inches
California nutmeg	<i>Torreya californica</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Canyon live oak	<i>Q. chrysolepis</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Chaparral oak	<i>Q. wislizeni</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Coast live oak	<i>Quercus agrifolia</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Coast redwood	<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Douglas-fir	<i>Pseudotsuga menziesii</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Giant Chinquapin	<i>Castanopsis chrysophylla</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus douglasii</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Mountain-mahogany	<i>Cercocarpus betuloides</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Narrow leaved willow	<i>Salix exigua</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Oak	<i>Q. parvula</i> var.	6 inches	18 inches

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Oregon ash	<i>Fraxinus latifolia</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Oregon oak	<i>Q. garryana</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Pacific madrone	<i>Arbutus menziesii</i>	6 inches	
Pacific yew	<i>Taxus brevifolia</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Red alder	<i>A. rubra</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Red elderberry	<i>Sambucus callicarpa</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Red willow	<i>S. laevigata</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Sargent cypress	<i>Cupressus sargentii</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Scouler's willow	<i>S. scouleriana</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Service-berry	<i>Amelanchier alnifolia</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Shining willow	<i>S. lucida</i> ssp.	6 inches	18 inches
	<i>lasiandra</i>		
Silk tassel	<i>Garrya elliptica</i>	10 inches	30 inches
Sitka willow	<i>S sitchensis</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Tanbark oak	<i>Lithocarpus</i>	10 inches	30 inches
	<i>densiflorus</i>		
Valley oak	<i>Q. lobata</i>	6 inches	18 inches
Wax myrtle	<i>Myrica californica</i>	10 inches	30 inches
White alder	<i>Alnus rhombifolia</i>	10 inches	30 inches

Public Access Deed Restriction (coastal). A legal document that places responsibilities upon the landowner relative to public use within a specifically defined area of the property, in order to allow for a public accessway.

Public Access Offer to Dedicate (OTD) (coastal). A legal document that offers an easement across private land for a future public accessway. In order to effectuate the OTD and open the accessway or stairway for public use, it must be accepted for management by a responsible agency and then improved, if necessary, and opened.

Public Road. A street or highway owned and maintained by the County, a City, the State, or the federal government.

Public Safety/Service Facilities (land use). This land use consists of facilities operated by public agencies including fire stations, other fire prevention and firefighting facilities, police and sheriff substations and headquarters, including interim incarceration facilities, and civic buildings.

Public Utility Facilities (land use). This land use consists of fixed-base structures and facilities serving as junction points for transferring utility services from one transmission voltage to another or to local distribution and service voltages. These uses include any of the following facilities that are not exempted from land use permit requirements by Government Code Section 53091:

- corporation and maintenance yards
- electrical substations and switching stations
- natural gas regulating and distribution facilities
- public water system wells, treatment plants and storage
- telephone switching facilities
- wastewater treatment plants, settling ponds and disposal fields

These uses do not include office or customer service centers (classified in "Offices").

Q. Definitions, "Q."

Quarry. See "Surface Mining."

R. Definitions, "R."

Recreational Vehicle (RV). A motor home, travel trailer, truck camper, or camping trailer, with or without motive power, originally designed for human habitation for recreational, emergency, or other occupancy, which meets all of the following criteria:

1. It contains less than 320 square feet of internal living room area, excluding built-in equipment, including wardrobe, closets, cabinets, kitchen units or fixtures, and bath or toilet rooms;
2. It contains 400 square feet or less of gross area measured at maximum horizontal projections;
3. It is built on a single chassis; and
4. It is either self-propelled, truck-mounted, or permanently towable on the highways without a towing permit.

Recreational Vehicle Park (land use). This land use consists of a site where one or more lots are used, or are intended to be used, by campers with recreational vehicles or tents. Recreational vehicle parks may include public restrooms, water, sewer, and electric hookups to each lot and are intended as a higher density, more intensively developed use than campgrounds. May include accessory retail uses where they are clearly incidental and intended to serve RV park patrons only.

Recycling Facilities (land use). This land use type includes a variety of facilities involved with the collection, sorting and processing of recyclable materials.

1. **Mobile Recycling Unit.** An automobile, truck, trailer, or van used for the collection of recyclable materials, and carrying bins, boxes, or other containers for such materials.
2. **Processing Facility.** A structure or enclosed space used for the collection and processing of recyclable materials for shipment, or to an end-user's specifications, by such means as baling, briquetting, cleaning, compacting, crushing, flattening, grinding, mechanical sorting, remanufacturing and shredding. Processing facilities include the following types, both of which are included under the definition of "Scrap and Dismantling Yards:"
 - a. Light processing facility occupies an area of under 45,000 square feet of collection, processing and storage area, and averages two outbound truck shipments each day. Light processing facilities are limited to baling, briquetting, compacting, crushing, grinding, shredding and sorting of source separated recyclable materials sufficient to qualify as a certified processing facility. A light processing facility shall not shred, compact, or bale ferrous metals other than food and beverage containers; and
 - b. A heavy processing facility is any processing facility other than a light processing facility.
3. **Recycling Facility.** A center for the collection and/or processing of recyclable materials. A "certified" recycling or processing facility is certified by the California Department of Conservation as meeting the requirements of the California Beverage Container Recycling and Litter Reduction Act of 1986. A recycling facility does not include storage containers located on a residentially, commercially or industrially designated site used solely for the recycling of material generated on the site. See "Collection Facility" above.
4. **Recycling or Recyclable Material.** Reusable domestic containers and other materials which can be reconstituted, remanufactured, or reused in an altered form, including glass, metals, paper and plastic. Recyclable material does not include refuse or hazardous materials.
5. **Reverse Vending Machine.** An automated mechanical device which accepts at least one or more types of empty beverage containers and issues a cash refund or a redeemable credit slip

with a value not less than the container's redemption value, as determined by state law. These vending machines may accept aluminum cans, glass and plastic bottles, and other containers.

A bulk reverse vending machine is a reverse vending machine that is larger than 50 square feet, is designed to accept more than one container at a time, and issues a cash refund based on total weight instead of by container.

6. Scrap and Dismantling Yards. See "Junk Yard."

Referral. Any transmittal, notification, posting, consultation, request for or distribution of information, initiated by the Agency to communicate with other agencies, organizations, groups or the public that pertains to a proposed project.

Religious Places of Worship (land use). This land use consists of religious facilities operated by organizations for worship, or the promotion of religious activities, including:

- churches
- synagogues
- mosques
- religious schools

Includes accessory uses on the same site, such as living quarters for ministers and staff, and child day care facilities where authorized by the same type of land use permit required for the religious facility itself. Does not include other establishments maintained by religious organizations, such as full-time educational institutions, hospitals and other potentially related operations (such as a recreational camp), which are defined under their respective activities.

Religious Residential Retreat (land use). This land use consists of convents, monasteries, and other facilities where members of religious organizations set themselves apart from the external community for short- or long-term periods to participate in worship and other religious activities.

Repair and Maintenance - Vehicle (land use). This land use generally consists of the repair, alteration, restoration, towing, painting, cleaning (including self-service and attended car washes), or finishing of automobiles, trucks, recreational vehicles, boats and other vehicles as a principal use, including the incidental wholesale and retail sale of vehicle parts as an accessory use. This use includes major and minor facilities. Major vehicle repair facilities deal with entire vehicles. Minor facilities specialize in limited aspects of repair and maintenance (i.e., muffler and radiator shops, quick-lube, etc.).

Includes tire recapping establishments. Does not include automobile parking (see "Commercial Parking and Vehicle Storage"), repair shops that are part of a vehicle dealership on the same site (see "Auto, Mobile home, Vehicle and Parts Sales"); automobile service stations, which are separately defined; or automobile dismantling yards, which are included under "Recycling, Scrap and Dismantling Yards."

Repair and Maintenance - Consumer Products (land use). This land use consists of the repair of consumer products as the principal business activity. Examples of establishments included in this land use are: electrical repair shops; television and radio and other appliance repair; watch, clock and jewelry repair; re-upholstery and furniture repair. Does not include shoe repair (see "Personal Services"), or businesses serving the repair needs of heavy equipment (see "Business Support Services").

Resale Controls. Legal restrictions by which the price of affordable housing units will be controlled to ensure that the units remain affordable to extremely low, very low, low or moderate-income County households, as applicable, over a specified period of time.

Research and Development (land use). This land use consists of scientific research, and the design, development and testing of computer software, and electrical, electronic, magnetic, optical and mechanical components in advance of product manufacturing, not associated with a manufacturing facility on the same site. Includes chemical and biotechnology research and development. Does not include soils and other materials testing laboratories (see "Business Support Services"), or medical laboratories (see "Medical Services - Clinics and Labs").

Residence. See "Dwelling, or Dwelling Unit."

Residential Accessory Uses and Structures (land use). This land use consists of and includes any use that is customarily a part of, and clearly incidental and secondary to, a residence and does not change the character of the residential use. These uses include the following accessory structures, and other similar structures and uses normally associated with a residential use of property:

- garages
- gazebos
- greenhouses
- spas and hot tubs
- roof-mounted WECS
- solar collectors
- rainwater cisterns and collectors
- storage sheds
- studios
- swimming pools
- workshops

Also includes community gardens and the indoor storage of automobiles (including their incidental restoration and repair), personal recreational vehicles and other personal property, accessory to a residential use. Does not include home satellite dish and other receiving antennas for earth-based TV and radio broadcasts; see "Telecommunications Facilities."

Residential Care Facilities (land use). This land use consists of a dwelling unit licensed or supervised by any federal, state, or local health/welfare agency which provides 24-hour nonmedical care of unrelated persons who are disabled and in need of personal services, supervision, or assistance essential for sustaining the activities of daily living or for the protection of the individual in a family-like environment. This land use includes licensed senior care facilities. For purposes of calculating residential densities, a unit that contains a food preparation area is not counted as a separate residential unit if meal service is provided at least twice a day as part of the residential care component.

Residential District or Zone. This designation includes any of the residential zoning districts established by Sections 22.06.020 (Zoning Districts Established) and Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards), including:

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| RA (Residential, Agricultural) | C-RA (Coastal, Residential, Agricultural) |
| RR (Residential, Restricted) | C-R1 (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family) |
| RE (Residential, Estate) | C-RSP (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned) |
| R1 (Residential, Single-Family) | C-RSPS (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned, Seadrift Subdivision) |
| RSP (Residential, Single-Family Planned) | C-R2 (Coastal, Residential, Two-Family) |
| R2 (Residential, Two-Family) | C-RMP (Coastal, Residential, Multiple Planned) |
| RMP (Residential, Multiple Planned) | |
| RX (Residential, Mobile Home Park) | |
| RF (Residential, Floating Home Marina) | |

Residential Second Unit (land use). This land use consists of a second permanent dwelling that is accessory to a primary dwelling on the same site. A residential second unit provides complete, independent living facilities for one or more persons, including permanent provisions for living, sleeping, eating, food preparation, sanitation, and parking. The primary criterion for defining a second

unit shall be the existence of separate food preparation facilities which may include but are not limited to stove, oven, hot plate, refrigerator or sink. Also see Existing Residential Second Units.

Restaurant (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale of prepared food and beverages for on-site consumption. This Development Code distinguishes between restaurants (including cafes and coffee shops) designed to accommodate 40 or fewer patrons, more than 40 patrons, and restaurants that serve alcohol and/or provide live entertainment.

Restaurant, Fast Food (land use). This land use consists of restaurants where customers are served prepared food from a walk-up ordering counter, or drive-through window, for either on- or off-site consumption.

Resubdivision. Changing the street alignment, lot configuration, or drainage of an existing subdivision, except through the Lot Line Adjustment process described in Chapter 22.90 (Lot Line Adjustments).

Retail Stores, General Merchandise (land use). This land use consists the retail sale of many lines of merchandise. Examples of the types of merchandise, and stores included within this land use are:

- artists' supplies
- auto parts (not repair or machine shops)
- bakeries (retail only)
- bicycles
- books
- cameras and photographic supplies
- clothing and accessories
- department stores
- drug and discount stores
- dry goods
- fabrics and sewing supplies
- florists and houseplant stores
- garden supply stores and sale of houseplants and nursery products
- general stores
- grocery stores
- hardware
- hobby materials
- jewelry
- luggage and leather goods
- musical instruments, parts and accessories
- newsstands
- orthopedic supplies
- pet stores
- religious goods
- shoe stores
- small wares
- specialty shops
- sporting goods and equipment
- stationery
- toys and games
- variety stores

Retail Stores, Visitor/Collector (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale of products oriented primarily toward visitors to Marin County and/or collectors other than local resident populations. Examples of the stores and products included under this land uses are antiques, art galleries, gift, souvenir, and curio shops, and handcraft sales (stores may include crafting subordinate to sales).

Retreat Rate. The rate at which wave action and other erosion processes will cause a coastal bluff to erode.

Review Authority. The Board of Supervisors, Health Officer, Planning Commission, Zoning Administrator, or Community Development Director, where designated by this Development Code as

having the responsibility and authority to review, approve, or deny land use and development applications in compliance with this Development Code.

Ridge and Upland Greenbelts. The uppermost portions of hills, and the wooded hillsides identified in the Built Environment Element of the Marin Countywide Plan.

Right-to-Farm Ordinance. An ordinance that was adopted in compliance with the Marin Countywide Plan for the purpose of protecting existing or future agricultural uses.

Riparian Vegetation (coastal). Vegetation associated with a watercourse and relying on the higher level of water provided by the watercourse. Riparian vegetation can include trees, shrubs, and/or herbaceous plants. Woody riparian vegetation includes plants that have tough, fibrous stems and branches covered with bark and composed largely of cellulose and lignin. Herbaceous riparian vegetation includes grasses, sedges, rushes and forbs – broad-leaved plants that lack a woody skeleton.

Room Rental (land use). This land use consists of the rental of bedrooms within a dwelling or accessory structure, excluding a guest house, whether or not meals are provided. This use is subordinate to the primary residential use of the property.

Rural Recreation (land use). This land use consists of facilities for outdoor recreational activities including: outdoor archery, pistol, rifle, and skeet shooting ranges and clubs; rodeo facilities; guest ranches; and health resorts including outdoor hot springs or hot tub facilities. Hunting and fishing clubs are separately defined.

S. Definitions, "S."

Sale of Agricultural Products (land use). This land use consists of retail sales of agricultural products. Includes seasonal structures, such as roadside stands, which are open structures for retail sales, and permanent structures for year-round sales. Does not include hay, grain and feed sales; see "Farm Equipment and Supplies."

SCA. See "Stream Conservation Area."

Schools (land use). This land use consists of public and private educational institutions, including:

- boarding schools
- business, secretarial, and vocational schools
- community colleges, colleges and universities
- elementary, middle, and junior high schools
- establishments providing courses by mail
- high schools
- military academies
- professional schools (law, medicine, etc.)
- seminaries/religious ministry training facilities
- pre-schools

Also includes specialized non-degree granting schools offering instruction in:

- art
- ballet and other dance
- computers and electronics
- drama
- driver education
- language
- music

Also includes facilities, institutions and conference centers that offer specialized programs in personal growth and development, such as fitness, environmental awareness, arts, communications, and management. Includes child day-care facilities where authorized by the same type of land use permit required for the school itself.

Scrap. See "Junk."

Sea (coastal). The Pacific Ocean and all harbors, bays, channels, estuaries, salt marshes, sloughs, and other areas subject to tidal action through any connection with the Pacific Ocean, excluding non-estuarine rivers, streams, tributaries, creeks, and flood control and drainage channels. "Sea" does not include the area of jurisdiction of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission, established pursuant to Title 7.2 (commencing with Section 66600) of the Government Code, including any river, stream, tributary, creek, or flood control or drainage channel flowing directly or indirectly into such area.

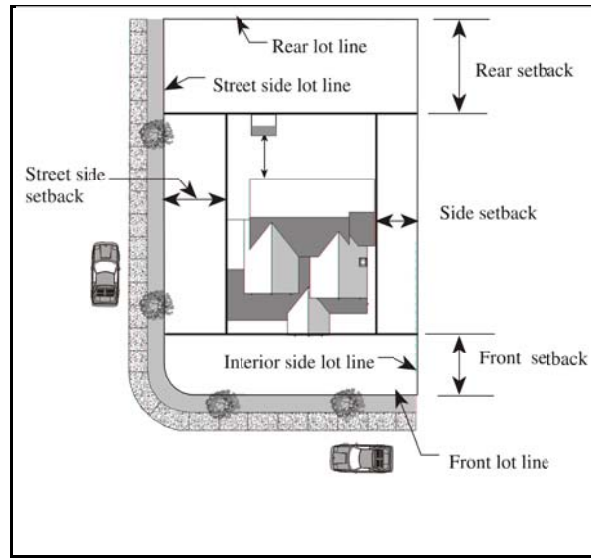
Second Hand Stores (land use). This land use consists of the purchase and retail sale of used products, including books, clothing, furniture and household goods. The sale of antiques is included under "Retail Stores, Visitor/Collector." The sale of cars and other used vehicles is included under "Auto, Mobile Home, Vehicle and Parts Sales."

Second Unit (coastal). See "Residential Second Unit"

Septic System. An on-site sewage disposal system consisting of a septic tank, and a soil infiltration leach field, evapotranspiration mound, or other approved disposal facility.

Setback. The distance by which a structure is required to be separated from a lot line, measured perpendicular to the lot line. Setbacks from private streets and driveways are measured from the edge of the easement. See also "Yard." Figure 8-6 (Setbacks) shows the location of front, side, street side, and rear setbacks.

**FIGURE 8-6
SETBACKS**



Service Station (land use). This land use consists of the retail sale of gasoline or other motor vehicle fuels, which may also include services incidental to fuel sales. These incidental services may include vehicle engine maintenance and repair, towing and trailer rental services. Does not include the storage or repair of wrecked or abandoned vehicles, vehicle painting, body or fender work, or the rental of vehicle storage or parking spaces.

Sewage Disposal System (coastal). See "Septic System"

Shopping Center (land use). This land use consists of structures with six or more independently operated retail uses whose combined gross floor area totals at least 20,000 square feet, and which are located on a site where any underlying separate lots are tied together by a binding legal agreement providing rights of reciprocal parking and access.

Shore (coastal). A narrow strip of land in immediate contact with the sea, including the zone between high and low water. A shore of unconsolidated material is usually called a beach.

Shoreline (coastal). The intersection of the ocean or sea with land; the line delineating the shoreline on National Ocean Service nautical charts and surveys approximates the mean low water line from the time the chart was prepared.

Shoreline Protective Device (coastal). A structure such as a seawall, revetment, riprap, or bulkhead built parallel to the shoreline for the purpose of protecting a structure or other upland property

Sign. Any display or device which is intended to or may, in the judgment of the Director, communicate an advertisement, announcement, direction, identity, or other message to attract, and/or distract, hold, direct, or focus the attention of, persons on public property or on private property generally open to members of the public. A sign shall include any moving part, lighting, sound equipment, framework, background material, structural support, or any other part. A display or device need not contain any lettering to be considered a sign.

Sign Area. Sign area consists of the message, background and any frame or outline and does not include any material used exclusively for structural support. Where a sign message has no background material or where the background is an undifferentiated wall, the area shall consist of the smallest convex shape which encompasses the total message. The area of a conic, cylindrical, spheric or multifaced sign shall be its maximum projection on the vertical plane (e.g., for a two-faced sign, only one side shall be measured).

Significant Tobacco Retailer. Any tobacco retailer engaged in the sale and/or distribution of tobacco products or paraphernalia to the general public, excluding wholesale businesses, that either devotes 20% or more of floor area or display area to, or derives 75% or more of gross sales receipts from, the sale or exchange of tobacco products and/or tobacco paraphernalia.

Single-Family Dwellings (land use). This land use consists of a building designed for and/or occupied exclusively by one family. Also includes factory-built, modular housing units, constructed in compliance with the California Building Code (CBC), and mobile homes/manufactured housing on permanent foundations.

Single-Family Residential Zoning District. A zoning district listed in Articles II (Zoning Districts and Allowable Land Uses) and V (Coastal Zones - Permit Requirements and Allowable Land Uses) which allows single-family dwellings, but not two-family or multi-family dwellings. These zoning districts include:

RA (Residential, Agricultural)	C-RA (Coastal, Residential, Agricultural)
RR (Residential, Restricted)	C-R1 (Coastal, Residential, Single Family)
RE (Residential, Estate)	C-RSP (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned)
R1 (Residential, Single-Family)	
RSP (Residential, Single-Family Planned)	C-RSPS (Coastal, Residential, Single-Family Planned, Seadrift Subdivision)
RX (Residential, Mobile Home Park)	
RF (Residential, Floating Home Marina)	A2B (Agriculture, Limited)

Districts zoned A for agricultural uses, other than those listed above, are not included in this definition.

Site. A lot or parcel, or adjoining lots or parcels under single ownership or single control, which is considered a unit for the purposes of development or other use.

Site Coverage. See "Lot Coverage."

Site Restoration Program (coastal). A site restoration program is a documented plan to restore or enhance the ecological quality of an area, which is prepared by a qualified specialist in biology. Site restoration programs must contain the following key components:

- A. A clear statement of the goals of the restoration for all habitat types. Characterization of the desired habitat, including an actual habitat, that can act both as a model for the restoration and as a reference site for developing success criteria.
- B. Sampling of reference habitat using the methods that will be applied to the restoration site with reporting of resultant data.
- C. Quantitative description of the chosen restoration site.
- D. Requirements for designation of a qualified restoration biologist as the Restoration Manager who will be personally responsible for all phases of the restoration.
- E. Prohibition on assignment of different phases of the restoration to different contractors without onsite supervision by the restoration manager.
- F. A specific grading plan if the topography must be altered.

- G. A specific Erosion Control plan if soil or other substrate will be significantly disturbed during the course of the restoration.
- H. A Weed Eradication Plan designed to eradicate existing weeds and to control future invasion by exotic species that is carried out by hand weeding and supervised by a restoration biologist.
- I. A Planting plan that specifies detailed plant palette based on the natural habitat type that is the model for the restoration and using local native stock and requiring that if plants, cuttings, or seed are obtained from a nursery, the nursery must certify that they are of local origin and are not cultivars. The Planting plan should provide specifications for preparation of nursery stock and include technical details of planting methods (e.g., spacing, *mycorrhizal* inoculation, etc.)
- J. An Irrigation Plan that describes the method and timing of watering and ensures removal of watering infrastructure by the end of the monitoring period.
- K. An Interim Monitoring Plan that includes maintenance and remediation activities, interim performance goals, assessment methods, and schedule.
- L. A Final Monitoring Plan to determine whether the restoration has been successful that specifies:
 - a. A basis for selection of the performance criteria
 - b. Types of performance criteria,
 - c. Procedure for judging success,
 - d. Formal sampling design,
 - e. Sample size,
 - f. Approval of a final report, and
 - g. Provision for possible further action if monitoring indicates that initial restoration has failed.
- M. An ongoing Repair and Maintenance Plan.

Skilled Nursing Facility. A medical care facility providing care for physically or mentally disabled persons, where care is less than that provided by a hospital or other acute care facility. See "Medical Services - Extended Care."

Slaughterhouses and Rendering Plants. Slaughterhouses are establishments primarily engaged in slaughtering cattle, hogs, sheep, lambs, calves, rabbits and fowl for meat to be sold or to be used on the same site in canning, curing and freezing, and in the making of sausage, lard, and other products. Rendering plants are engaged in the rendering of inedible stearin, grease, and tallow from animal fat, bones, and meat scraps.

Slope. The average slope of a lot expressed as a percent, which is calculated as follows:

$$S = (L \times I \times 100) / A$$

Where:

S	=	The average slope of natural ground expressed as a percent
I	=	The topographic contour interval in feet (i.e., 2-foot contour intervals, 5-foot contour intervals, etc.)
L	=	The sum of the length of the contour lines expressed in feet
A	=	The area of the lot expressed in square feet

This definition assumes that slope calculations are based on accurate topographic survey maps drawn to a scale of not less than one inch equals 100 feet, with contour lines at maximum 10-foot intervals for ground slope over 15 percent, and at five-foot intervals for ground slope of 15 percent or less.

Slope Ordinance. Minimum lot area requirements established based on slope. See Section 22.82.050 (Hillside Subdivision Design).

Small Family Day-Care Homes (land use). See "Child Day-Care Facilities."

Snack Bar. An area within a residence that accommodates small food preparation appliances, such as a toaster, microwave, and refrigerator and may include a small wetbar-type sink, but not a full-sized refrigerator, stove, or food preparation area. A snack bar is accessory to the primary food preparation facility within the residential unit and is not treated as a separate food preparation facility for purposes of calculating the residential density on the lot.

Solid Waste. Unwanted materials discarded by the occupants of homes and businesses, which may include recyclable materials.

Solar Energy System (coastal). As used in the Marin County Local Coastal Program, "solar energy system" means either of the following:

- (1) Any solar collector or other solar energy device whose primary purpose is to provide for the collection, storage, and distribution of solar energy for space heating, space cooling, electricity generation, or water heating.
- (2) Any structural design feature of a building, whose primary purpose is to provide for the collection, storage and distribution of solar energy for electricity generation, space heating or cooling, or water heating.

Special Purpose District or Zone. Any of the special purpose zoning districts established by Section 22.06.020 (Zoning Districts Established), including PF (Public Facilities) and OA (Open Area); and the by Section 22.62.030 (Coastal Zoning Districts Established), including the C-PF (Coastal, Public Facilities) zone as defined in Section 22.62.090 (Coastal Special Purpose and Combining Districts).

Species of Special Concern. As determined by the California Department of Fish and Game, a Species of Special Concern (SSC) is a species, subspecies, or distinct population of fish, amphibian, reptile, bird, or mammal native to California that currently satisfies one or more of the following (not necessarily mutually exclusive) criteria:

- a. is extirpated from the state or, in the case of birds, in its primary seasonal or breeding role;
- b. is listed as federally-, but not state-, threatened or endangered;
- c. meets the state definitions of threatened or endangered but has not formally been listed;
- d. is experiencing, or formerly experienced, serious (noncyclical) population declines or range retractions (not reversed) that, if continued or resumed, could qualify it for state threatened or endangered status;
- e. has naturally small populations exhibiting high susceptibility to risk from any factor(s), that if realized, could lead to declines that would qualify it for state threatened or endangered status.

Specific Plan. A detailed plan for the systematic implementation of the general plan, for all or part of the area covered by the general plan, as authorized by Government Code Sections 65450 et seq.

Sport Facilities and Outdoor Public Assembly (land use). This land use consists of indoor and outdoor facilities for spectator-oriented sports and other outdoor public assembly facilities for such activities as outdoor theater productions and concerts. These facilities include: amphitheaters; stadiums and coliseums; arenas and field houses; race tracks; motorcycle racing and drag strips; and other sports facilities that are considered commercial.

State. The State of California.

Stealth Design. A telecommunications facility that is designed or located in such a way that the facility is not readily recognizable as telecommunications equipment.

Stock Cooperative. A development defined by the Business and Professions Code, Section 11003.2 and the Civil Code, Section 1351.m, where a corporation is formed to hold title to improved real property and the shareholders of the corporation receive a right of exclusive occupancy in a portion of the real property.

Stone and Cut Stone Products (land use). This land use consists of the cutting, shaping, and finishing of marble, granite, slate, and other stone for building and miscellaneous uses. Also includes establishments engaged primarily in buying or selling partly finished monuments and tombstones.

Stop Work Order. A notice issued by the Building Official, or other designated official, that directs the property owner to cease work that was undertaken without proper permits.

Storage, Accessory (land use). This land use consists of the storage of various materials in support of a residential, commercial, or industrial land use on the same site, where the primary use of the site is not a storage facility.

Storage, Personal Storage Facility (land use). This land use consists of a structure or group of structures containing generally small, individual, compartmentalized stalls or lockers rented as individual storage spaces and characterized by low parking demand.

Story. That portion of a building included between the surface of any floor and the surface of the next floor above it, or if there is no floor above it, then the space between the floor and the ceiling next above it.

Story (floating home). That portion of the superstructure located between the upper surface of any deck and the upper surface of the deck or ceiling next above.

Stream (coastal). See "Coastal Stream"

Stream Bank (coastal). The bank of a stream shall be defined as the watershed and relatively permanent elevation or acclivity at the outer line of the stream channel which separates the bed from the adjacent upland, whether valley or hill, and serves to confine the water within the bed and to preserve the course of the stream. In areas where a stream has no discernable bank, the boundary shall be measured from the line closest to the stream where riparian vegetation is permanently established. In areas where a stream has no discernable bank or riparian vegetation, the stream boundary shall be considered the stream's thalweg.

Street. A public right-of-way or access normally used for vehicular traffic, excluding vehicular driveways serving a single lot or parcel and trails or paths used for pedestrian access purposes only.

Structural Alterations. Any change in the supporting members of a building, including bearing walls, columns, beams or girders.

Structural Clay and Pottery Products (land use). This land use consists of the manufacture of brick and structural clay products, including pipe, china plumbing fixtures, and vitreous china articles, fine

earthenware and porcelain products. Artist/craftsman uses are included in "Cottage Industries," "Handcraft Industries and Small Scale Manufacturing," "Home Occupations."

Structure. Anything constructed or erected, the use of which requires attachment to the ground or attachment to something located on the ground. For the purposes of this Development Code, the term "structure" includes "buildings." Examples of structures include, but are not limited to:

- residence/guest house
- garage/carport/car deck
- swimming pool/spa
- barn
- arbor/gazebo
- retaining wall
- fence/trellis

(Coastal) In the Coastal Zone, the following additional improvements are considered to meet the definition of a "structure:" a road, pipe, flume, conduit, siphon, aqueduct, telephone line, and electrical power transmission and distribution line.

Structure, Accessory. See "Accessory Structures."

Structure, Primary. A structure in which the principal use of the site is conducted. On sites with multiple structures, the Director shall determine which is the primary structure based on zoning, use, floor area, owner occupancy, etc.

Studios for Art, Dance, Music, Photography, etc. (land use). This land use consists of the provision of individual and group instruction and training in: the arts; production rehearsal; photography, and the processing of photographs produced only by users of the studio facilities; and martial arts training studios.

Subdivider. A person, firm, corporation, partnership or association, a governmental agency, public entity or public utility, or the grantor to any such agency, entity, utility or subsidiary, who proposes to subdivide real property for themselves or for others, except employees and consultants or these persons or entities acting in this capacity.

Subdivision. The division, by any subdivider, of any unit or portion of land shown on the latest equalized Marin County assessment roll as a unit or contiguous units, for the purpose of sale, lease or financing, whether immediate or future. Property shall be considered as contiguous units, even if it is separated by roads, streets, utility easement or railroad rights-of-way. Subdivision includes a condominium project, as defined in Section 1351.f of the Civil Code, and a community apartment project, as defined in Section 1351.d of the Civil Code.

Subdivision Map. A Tentative, Parcel or Final Map, as described in Article VI (Subdivisions).

Subdivision Map Act. Division 2, Title 7 of the California Government Code, commencing with Section 66410 as presently constituted, and any amendments to those provisions.

Substantial Evidence (coastal). Enough relevant information and reasonable inferences from this information that a fair argument can be made to support a conclusion, even though other conclusions might also be reached. Argument, speculation, unsubstantiated opinion or narrative, or evidence which is clearly erroneous or inaccurate, does not constitute substantial evidence.

Superstructure (floating home). The portion of a floating home or ark above the lowest deck or the level of floatation.

Supportive Housing. Housing with no limit on length of stay, that is occupied by the target population as defined in subdivision (d) of Health and Safety Code section 53260, and that is linked to onsite or offsite services that assist the supportive housing resident in retaining the housing, improving his or her health status, and maximizing his or her ability to live and, when possible, work in the community per Health and Safety Code section 50675.14(b).

Surface Mining. All or any part of the process involved in the mining of minerals on mined lands by removing overburden and mining directly from the mineral deposits, open pit mining of minerals naturally exposed, mining by the auger method, dredging and quarrying, or surface work incident to an underground mine.

T. Definitions, "T."

Telecommunications Facilities (land use). This land use consists of public, commercial and private electromagnetic and photoelectrical transmission, broadcast, repeater and receiving stations and equipment, including:

- cellular telephone and personal communications services (PCS) facilities, and enhanced specialized mobile radio facilities
- commercial earth stations for satellite-based communications
- data network communications facilities
- radio and television broadcast facilities, including ham radio facilities
- telephone and telegraph microwave facilities

Includes antennas, microwave dishes or horns, structures or towers to support receiving and/or transmitting devices, accessory development and structures, and the land on which they are situated. Does not include telephone, telegraph and cable television transmission facilities utilizing hard-wired or direct cable connections (see "Pipelines and Utility Lines").

Temporary Construction Yard. A site for the storage of construction materials other than the construction site.

Temporary Mobile Home (land use). This land use consists of a mobile home used as a temporary residence during the construction of a permanent residence on the same site.

Temporary Use Permit. A discretionary land use permit that may be granted in compliance with Chapter 22.50 (Temporary Use Permits), which authorizes a specific use of land on a specific site for a limited time, subject to compliance with any conditions of approval imposed on the permit.

Tennis and Other Recreational Uses (land use). Non-commercial facilities constructed for private use on properties developed with homes or other residences. See also "Hotel/Motel", "Outdoor Commercial Recreation", Private Recreational Facility, and "Sports Facilities and Outdoor Public Assembly".

Tentative Map. A map made for the purpose of showing the design and improvement of a proposed subdivision and the existing conditions in and around it.

Textile and Leather Products (land use). This land use consists of any of the following manufacturing activities:

- coating, waterproofing, or otherwise treating fabric
- dyeing and finishing fiber, yarn, fabric, and knit apparel
- manufacture of knit apparel and other finished products from yarn
- manufacture of felt goods, lace goods, non-woven fabrics and miscellaneous textiles
- manufacturing of woven fabric, carpets and rugs from yarn
- preparation of fiber and subsequent manufacturing of yarn, threads, braids, and twine cordage
- upholstery manufacturing

Thalweg (coastal). A line connecting the lowest or deepest points along a stream bed or valley bottom

Theaters and Meeting Halls (land use). This land use consists of indoor facilities for public assembly and group entertainment, other than sporting events, including:

- civic theaters, meeting halls and facilities for "live" theater and concerts
- exhibition and convention halls
- meeting halls for rent
- motion picture theaters
- public and semi-public auditoriums
- similar public assembly uses

Does not include outdoor theaters, concert and similar entertainment facilities, and indoor and outdoor facilities for sporting events; see "Sport Facilities and Outdoor Public Assembly."

Threatened Species. A Threatened_Species is an animal or plant species likely to become endangered within the foreseeable future throughout all or a significant portion of its range, as determined by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service consistent with the Federal Endangered Species Act of 1973.

Tidelands. All land and water areas that are below, or were at any time within a preceding 12-month period below the Mean High Tide line, and to contiguous land between that line, and either a point 100 feet inland or the nearest publicly maintained road, whichever is closer.

Tidelands Permit. A discretionary permit that may be granted in compliance with Chapter 22.52 (Tidelands Permits) of this Development Code, which may authorize fill, excavation, or structures within the tidelands of the County, subject to compliance with any conditions of approval imposed on the permit.

Timber Harvesting. The cutting of timber and/or removal of forest products for commercial purposes, together with all the work incidental to those operations, including road building, tree marking, hazard reduction, etc.

Tobacco Paraphernalia. Cigarette papers or wrappers, pipes, holders of smoking materials of all types, cigarette-rolling machines, and any other item designed for the smoking, use or ingestion of tobacco products.

Tobacco Products. Any substance containing any tobacco leave, including cigarettes, cigars, pipe tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, and smokeless tobacco.

Tobacco Retailer. Any person who sells, offers for sale, or offers to exchange for any form of consideration, tobacco, tobacco products, and/or tobacco paraphernalia.

Transfer of Development Rights (TDR). The process established by Chapter 22.34 (Transfer of Development Rights), which allows some or all of the number of dwelling units potentially allowed by the zoning applicable to a "donor" site, to be transferred and built on another "receiving" site, in addition to the number of units potentially allowed by the zoning of the receiving site.

Transit Stations and Terminals (land use). This land use consists of passenger stations for vehicular, ferry, and rail mass transit systems; also terminal facilities providing maintenance and service for the vehicles operated in the transit system. Includes buses, taxis, railway, etc.

Transit Stop Shelter (land use). This land use consists of a small-scale covered waiting area for busses, taxis, and rail/mass transit stops.

Transitional Housing. Buildings configured as rental housing developments, but operated under program requirements that call for the termination of assistance and recirculation of the assisted unit to another eligible program recipient at some predetermined future point in time, which shall be no less than six months per Health and Safety Code section 50675.2(h).

Two-Family Dwelling (land use). This land use consists of detached residential structures under single ownership containing two dwellings. This land use does not include residential second units, which are separately defined.

U. Definitions, "U."

Unincorporated Community. A concentration of structures and population within the unincorporated areas of the County identified by the Countywide Plan as a community.

Use. The purpose for which land or a building thereon is designed, or for which it may be occupied. Each business, administrative, professional, industrial, or other establishment, which is separate from another establishment, both in fact and in the appearance presented to the public, shall be considered a separate use.

Use Permit. A discretionary land use permit that may be granted by the review authority in compliance with Chapter 22.48 (Use Permits), which authorizes a specific use of land on a specific site, subject to compliance with any conditions of approval imposed on the permit.

V. Definitions, "V."

Vacant Lot. A lot which is not developed with a primary structure, or is developed only with one or more accessory structures. As used in this Code, development of a lot which entails demolition exceeding 75 percent of the linear sum of the primary structure's exterior walls for each story shall be subject to the regulations for developing a vacant lot.

Variance. See Chapter 22.54 (Variances).

Vehicle and Freight Terminals (land use). This land use consists of the provision of services incidental to air, motor freight, and rail transportation. Examples of these services and related facilities include:

- freight forwarding services
- freight terminal facilities
- joint terminal and service facilities
- packing, crating, inspection and weighing services
- postal service bulk mailing distribution centers
- transportation arrangement services
- trucking facilities, including transfer and storage

Vermiculture (coastal). The raising and production of earthworms and their by-products.

Vessel. Any watercraft of any type or size, including barges, ferry boats, yachts, houseboats, floating homes, and rafts.

Vest. To obtain a right by completing an action required by this Development Code.

Vesting Tentative Map. A map that is filed and processed in the same manner as a Tentative Map except as otherwise provided by Section 22.84.110 (Tentative Map Time Limits), or the Subdivision Map Act. A Vesting Tentative Map shall have the words "Vesting Tentative Map" printed conspicuously on its face at the time it is filed with the Agency.

Veterinary Clinics and Animal Hospitals (land use). This land use consists of office and entirely indoor medical treatment facilities used by veterinarians, including large and small animal veterinary clinics, and animal hospitals. See also, "Kennels and Animal Boarding."

Visitor-Serving Facility. Stores, shops, businesses, bed and breakfast inns, public and private recreational facilities that provide accommodations, food and services. Includes hotels and motels, campgrounds, parks, nature preserves, restaurants, and commercial recreational development such as shopping, eating and amusement areas which are used by the traveling public.

Visually Prominent Ridgeline. A line connecting the topographic highpoints within the Countywide Plan's Ridge and Upland Greenbelt along a ridge that separates watersheds and is visible from public viewpoints from open space areas, parks, trailheads, highways, arterial roads, the bay and other water bodies.

Viticulture (coastal). The cultivation of grapes.

V-Zone (coastal). See "Flood Hazard Zone."

W. Definitions, "W."

Warehouse Retail Stores (land use). This land use consists of the retail stores that emphasize the packaging and sale of products in large quantities or volumes, some at discounted prices, where products are typically displayed in their original shipping containers. Sites and buildings are usually large and industrial in character. Patrons may or may not be required to pay membership fees.

Warehousing (land use). This land use consists of facilities for the storage of farm products, furniture, household goods, or other commercial goods of any nature. Includes cold storage. Does not include: warehouse, storage or mini-storage facilities offered for rent or lease to the general public (see "Storage, Personal Storage Facilities"); warehouse facilities in which the primary purpose of storage is for wholesaling and distribution (see "Wholesaling and Distribution"); or terminal facilities for handling freight (see "Vehicle and Freight Terminals").

Waste Disposal Sites (land use). This land use consists of County-approved or operated refuse dumps, sanitary landfills and other solid waste terminal disposal facilities, not including facilities for hazardous materials.

Water Conservation Dams and Ponds (land use). This land use consists of water impoundment reservoirs constructed for watering stock, groundwater recharge, and other conservation purposes.

Watershed (coastal). The geographical area drained by a river and its connecting tributaries into a common source. A watershed may, and often does, cover a very large geographical region.

WECS (land use). See "Wind Energy Conversion Systems (WECS)."

Wet Bar. An area that includes a bar sink not exceeding a maximum dimension of 12-inches by 12-inches and adjoining cabinets and counters not exceeding an aggregate length of six feet. Electrical service in a wetbar area shall be limited to general purpose receptacles. The maximum size of the trap arm and drain for the bar sink shall not exceed 1.5 inches. Dedicated electrical circuits, gas lines, gas stubouts, and additional plumbing stubouts are prohibited as part of the wet bar area. Wet bars are not considered food preparation facilities.

Wetland (coastal). Lands within the Coastal Zone which may be covered periodically or permanently with shallow water and include saltwater marshes, freshwater marshes, open or closed brackish water marshes, swamps, mudflats, and fens. "Wetland" shall be defined as:

- A. Land where the water table is at, near, or above the land surface long enough to promote the formation of hydric soils or to support the growth of hydrophytes, and shall also include those types of wetlands where vegetation is lacking and soil is poorly developed or absent as a result of frequent and drastic fluctuations of surface water levels, wave action, water flow, turbidity or high concentrations of salts or other substances in the substrate. Such wetlands can be recognized by the presence of surface water or saturated substrate at some time during each year and their location within, or adjacent to, vegetated wetlands or deep-water habitats. For purposes of this section, the upland limit of a wetland shall be defined as:
 1. The boundary between land with predominantly hydrophytic cover and land with predominantly mesophytic or xerophytic cover;
 2. The boundary between soil that is predominantly hydric and soil that is predominantly nonhydric; or
 3. In the case of wetlands without vegetation or soils, the boundary between land that is flooded or saturated at some time during years of normal precipitation, and land that is not.
- B. The term "wetland" shall not include wetland habitat created by the presence of and associated with agricultural ponds and reservoirs or by drainage ditches where:
 1. The pond or reservoir was in fact constructed by a farmer or rancher for agricultural purposes; and
 2. There is no evidence (e.g., aerial photographs, historical survey, etc.) showing that wetland habitat pre-dated the existence of the pond or reservoir. Areas with drained

- hydric soils that are no longer capable of supporting hydrophytes shall not be considered wetlands; or
3. The drainage ditch is a narrow (usually less than 5-feet wide), constructed nontidal ditch excavated from dry land, which is not a replacement for a natural drainage feature.

Wholesaling and Distribution (land use). This land use consists of establishments engaged in selling merchandise to retailers; to industrial, commercial, institutional, farm, or professional business users; or to other wholesalers; or acting as agents or brokers in buying merchandise for or selling merchandise to such persons or companies. Includes such establishments as:

- agents, merchandise or commodity brokers, and commission merchants
- assemblers, buyers and associations engaged in the cooperative marketing of farm products
- merchant wholesalers
- stores primarily selling electrical, plumbing, heating and air conditioning supplies and equipment

Wild Animal Ranches (land use). This land use consists of the keeping or raising of wild animals for commercial agricultural purposes.

Williamson Act. Formally the California Land Conservation Act of 1965, this Act was designed as an incentive to retain prime agricultural land and open space in agricultural use, thereby slowing its conversion to urban and suburban development. The program entails a 10-year contract between the County and an owner of land whereby the land is taxed on the basis of its agricultural use rather than the market value. The land becomes subject to certain enforceable restrictions, and certain conditions need to be met prior to approval of an agreement.

Wind Energy Conversion System (WECS) (land use). This land use consists of a wind turbine, windmill, or similar machine, which converts the kinetic energy in the wind into a usable form. The WECS consists of all parts of the system, including the wind turbine tower and the transmission equipment.

Wind Energy Conversion System (WECS) (land use) (coastal). This land use is defined as any machine that converts and then stores or transfers the kinetic energy in the wind into a usable form of mechanical or electrical energy. The WECS consists of all parts of the system, including the base or foundation, tower, wind turbine, generator, rotor, blades, supports, and transmission equipment. Additional WECS definitions include:

1. *Small WECS.* This land use is defined as: (1) any small freestanding WECS up to 40 feet in total height above grade; or (2) a roof-mounted WECS.
2. *Medium WECS (coastal).* This land use is defined as any freestanding WECS project between 40 feet and 100 feet in total height above grade,
3. *Large WECS (coastal).* This land use is defined as any WECS project greater than 100 feet in total height above grade.
4. *Freestanding WECS.* Any WECS project that is a self-supporting, stand-alone structure detached from any other type of structure.
5. *Roof-Mounted WECS.* Any Small WECS project that is roof-mounted, utilizes a horizontal-axis wind turbine (HAWT) or a vertical-axis wind turbine (VAWT), and does not exceed 10 feet in height above the roof line of the structure.

Wind Testing Facility (coastal). Wind testing facilities are those facilities or structures that have been temporarily installed to measure wind speed and directions and collect other data relevant to siting WECS.

X. Definitions, "X." No definitions beginning with the letter "X" are used at this time.

Y. Definitions, "Y."

Yard. An area between a lot line and a setback, unobstructed and unoccupied from the ground upward, except for projections permitted by this Development Code. See Section 22.20.100 (Setback Requirements and Exceptions) and Figure 8-7 (Setbacks).

1. **Front Yard.** An area extending across the full width of the lot between the front lot line and the nearest line of the building.
2. **Rear Yard.** An area extending the full width of the lot between a rear lot line and the nearest line of the building.
3. **Side Yard.** An area extending from the front yard to the rear yard between the nearest side lot line and the nearest line of the building.
4. **Interior Yard.** An area between a lot line and the nearest line of the building that does not abut a street or right-of-way.

Z. Definitions, "Z."

Zoning Administrator. The employee of the Marin County Community Development Agency appointed by the Board of Supervisors as Zoning Administrator, with duties and authority as described in Section 22.110.040 (Zoning Administrator).

Zoning Code. Articles I through V, and VII through VIII of this Development Code.

Zoning District. An area identified on the County Zoning Map within which certain uses of land and structures are permitted, and regulations are specified by this Development Code. The zoning districts established by this Development Code are described in Sections 22.06.020 (Zoning Districts Established), and Article V (Coastal Zones – Permit Requirements and Development Standards).

Zoning Map. The official map or maps of Marin County that identify the specific zoning districts located in the unincorporated areas of the County. The Zoning Map is on file with the Marin County Community Development Agency.