

**Jackson County Cashiers Planning Council**  
**Request to Participate in Hearing as a Party with Standing**

I, the undersigned, would like to participate in Cashiers Planning Council Hearing for the Special Use Permit application for the Cashiers Village as a Party with Standing. (You may insert the name of the Parties and/or the Project if you do not know the case number).

My Full Name: Deborah Lenz Clark  
My Address: 100 Newray Lane  
Cashiers, NC 28717  
My Telephone: 404 626 3319 (optional)  
My Email: dmilenz@bellsouth.net (optional)

*This form will be used by the Planning Council ("Council") to assist it in evaluating whether you have standing. You must fill out this form completely and may attach additional pages if necessary. Only the Council may grant standing. Submitting this form does not mean that you have standing. The Council reserves the right to grant standing based on the contents of this form if a proper showing of standing is made, to deny standing if the contents of this form fail to show valid grounds for standing, and to make further inquiries regarding any standing issue at the hearing.*

I, the Undersigned, certify as follows (check and fill out all that apply):

- ☐ Did you receive a letter from the Jackson County Planning Department regarding the hearing?
  - ☐ Yes
  - ☒ No
- ☐ If applicable, I have the following interest in the property that is the subject of this hearing:
  - ☐ An ownership interest in the property that is the subject of the hearing; or
  - ☐ A leasehold interest in the property that is the subject of the hearing; or
  - ☐ An interest in the property that is the subject of the hearing created by:
    - ☐ Easement; or
    - ☐ Restriction; or
    - ☐ Covenant
- ☐ I will suffer special damages as the result of the proposed action that is the subject of this hearing, specifically (must be completed if box is checked attach additional pages if needed):
- ☒ The damages I will suffer are distinct from those damages to the public at large, specifically (must be completed if box is checked attach additional pages if needed):



See attached statement

- ☐ The damages I will suffer are not distinct from those damages to the public at large or unique, they impact the entire community, specifically *(must be completed if box is checked attach additional pages if needed)*:

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- ☐ I will not suffer special damages, however, I would like an opportunity to be heard by the Council.

- ☐ I represent an incorporated or unincorporated association to which owners or lessees of property in a designated area belong by virtue of their owning or leasing property in that area, or an association otherwise organized to protect and foster the interest of the particular neighborhood or local area (i.e. a homeowners association), and

- ☐ At least one (1) member of said association, \_\_\_\_\_ *(print name of member)*, would have standing as an individual to challenge the decision being appealed, specifically:

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- ☐ Said association was not created in response to the particular development or issue that is the subject of the appeal.

By signing Below, I the undersigned, certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. **For security purposes, I will not share the meeting link with others.**

This the 12<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2020.

Deborah Lenz Clark  
(Signature)

**NOTE: This form must be return to the Jackson County Planning Department at least 24 hours prior to the hearing referenced above. You may either email the form to: [allisonkelley@jacksonnc.org](mailto:allisonkelley@jacksonnc.org) or mail the form to Jackson County Planning, Attn: Allison Kelley, 401 Grindstaff Cove Rd, Suite A-258, Sylva, NC 28779, in such a manner that it is delivered at least 24 hours prior to the hearing referenced above.**



Deborah Lenz Clark

Property Owner: 100 Nevray Lane, Cashiers, NC 28717

Statement Attached to Application for Standing

Our property is located in downtown Cashiers, behind Buck's Coffee Café. Our property is accessed via Pilgrim Road, which is between the Laurelwood Inn and Buck's Coffee Café on Route 107, just north of the 64/107 "crossroads".

I am concerned that the size and concentration of the proposed development could adversely affect the aquifer that we rely on for our residential well water. Such a large and dense development could cause ground water depletion which, in turn, could result in deterioration of our water quality, a decline in water yield, and a reduction in the amount of recharge occurring. The impact on the aquifer could be even more extreme in years of drought. We could suffer adverse financial consequences should we have to drill a deeper well, improve the pumping capacity of the well, augment our existing filtration system, etc. in order to maintain our current water quality and flow.

I am equally concerned that the increase in traffic at the intersection of 64 and 107 will be so great that it could impede ability to enter and exit our property via Pilgrim Road, especially in the case of emergencies (i.e., ambulance or fire trucks). My husband and I plan to retire to our home in Cashiers in the next few years when we will both be in our sixties. We purchased our property after coming to the Cashiers area for over 15 years and actively searching for over 2 years for the right location for our retirement home. Easy access to our property was a strong consideration. The amount of traffic that such a large and dense development will create could adversely impact our access to emergency services in a health crisis and property protection in the event of a fire.