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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: Clark County Planning Commission

FROM: Mike Mabrey, Planner III

DATE: December 5, 2013

SUBJECT: Additional code language to prevent conflicts with the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area standards

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Based on conversations with Jennifer Kaden, Senior Regional Planner with the Gorge Commission, I would like to recommend to the Planning Commission that they amend 40.250.020(B)(1) as follows:

B. Applicability.

1. The provisions in this section shall apply to parcels designated with the surface mining overlay. Surface mining activity and related processing within the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area is subject to Section 40.240. Where Section 40.250.020 is in conflict, the provisions of Section 40.240 govern.

There are certain uses such as asphalt batch plants that are not permitted in the Gorge Scenic Area. Fences and new roads are also subject to review. The proposed language would defer to the Gorge standards whenever there is a conflict.

