MEMORANDUM

FROM: ASHTON N. HARRISON, MONTEZUMA COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

SUBJECT: ENFORCEMENT OF COUNTY SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS AND STATE SUBDIVISION LAW

DATE: 3/19/2007

Recently, it has come to the attention of Montezuma County officials that some people believe that encumbering a portion of land with a deed of trust constitutes a legal subdivision without having to comply with Montezuma County subdivision regulations and state subdivision law. It is the position of Montezuma County that the only time a parcel can be legally split without approval of the Board of County Commissioners per the Montezuma County Land Use Code is by foreclosure or court order.

Montezuma County will vigorously pursue civil and/or criminal action against any party or parties and associated party or parties who attempt to split parcels without going through the established subdivision process with the exception of parcel splits resulting from foreclosure or court order.

Ashton N. Harrison
County Administrator