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## MEMORANDUM

From: Brad Solon, Building Official

**To:** Rapid City Planning Commission

**Date:** February 26, 2009 (**Update March 19, 2009**)

Subject: Name a Portion of Unnamed Right-of-way Merillat Lane

(This memo has been updated as of March 19, 2009. All changes are shown in bold).

This request is to name a portion of un-named right-of-way located east of the recently named Merillat Lane and adjacent to Biernbaum Subdivision.

This road provides access to four businesses currently. The businesses have been using South Highway 79 as their address. However, due to reconstruction and the development of the frontage road by the South Dakota Department of Transportation, the businesses no longer have direct access from the highway. Growth Management Staff received complaints from the Emergency Services Communication Center staff regarding the lack of road names and street signs in the area resulting in delays in emergency responses.

This proposal would require the four businesses to change their addresses. Staff contacted the property owners via mail and has spoke with three of the property owners via telephone. Masco Builder Cabinet group, formerly Merillat Particle Board Plan, objected to the name. Cretex expressed a preference for a more generic name and not the name of a business or product.

Staff has received no comments on the proposed Culvert Street name from the Emergency Services Communication Center staff, Rapid City Fire Department staff and the Police Department staff.

(Update February 26, 2007) Staff spoke with Cretex and they proposed the name "Culvert Street." This would require that the existing portion of roadway currently name Merillat Lane be renamed. Currently no business is using this street name as part of an address. Staff contacted



Merillat Industries staff and they have not yet responded. Pacific Hide and Fur will be unaffected since they will be using an address of Biernbaum Lane.

(Update March 19, 2009.) Staff from Merillat Industries expressed no objections to the proposal to name this road Culvert Street. However, in naming this road Culvert Street, the adjacent portion of road currently name Merillat Lane must also be renamed.

RECOMMENDATION: If the Planning Commission feels it is appropriate to rename Merillat Lane to Culvert Street, they should approve the resolution renaming Merillat Lane to Culvert Street and name the adjacent un-named street Culvert Street.