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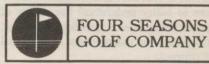
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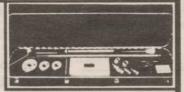
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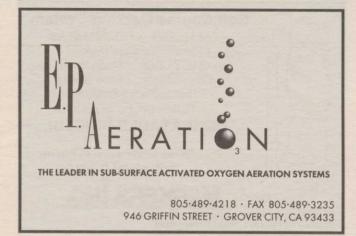
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Homestead approval

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according to course architect Bob Walker. But Kuras and Walker are confident the course will eventually be built.

"This project has met every standard of law. It has earned the support of the community. And, we look forward to proceeding," Kuras said.

Michigan is the only state that issues federal wetlands permits because its laws are stricter than federal regulations. Other states

> rely on the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Opponents argue the EPA caved in to lobbying by Gov. Engler, who President headed Bush's 1988 Michigan campaign. They also believe the federal agency acted illegally in

approving the project and that authority to issue the permit now rests with the Army Corps.

The controversy has left some wondering whether Michigan can responsibly continue to administer those laws.

"Now there will be speculation whether developers can just run wild," said Jack Berry, golf writer with The Detroit News. "None of the other courses in Michigan have riled things up to this extent."

But the national EPA office was satisfied.

The record establishes that the state has fully considered the relevant information and has determined that this project will not degrade water quality or aquatic resources," EPA Assistant Administrator LaJuanna Wilshire said.

A top architect said state and federal regulators have turned a colder shoulder toward Michigan golf development since the Homestead debate began.

"Restrictions have been getting tighter because they are more guarded than they used to be,"saidLansing-basedarchitectJerryMatthews, vice president of the American Society of Golf Course Architects. "They fear the Homestead project might take wetlands regulation out of the state's hands...The DNR is talking about tightening up on golf courses."

"Incidents like this are likely to happen again. It has made developers more aware of the time and effort they are likely to put in on a project," added Jeff Rivard, executive director of the Golf Association of Michigan, representing 200 courses and 50,000 members.

Walker conceded some antagonism may remain and could make it tougher for a few architects and developers to get projects approved.

"But it will help many other people who have found it difficult to get good projects going," he said. "It will make it easier because this project was approved from a scientific standpoint. It shows there is no environmental damage from golf courses."

Walkersaid slight modifications moving holes away from more sensitive areas of the Crystal River were made during the design phase. Just 31/2ofthe87acresofwetlandwillrequirefilling, he said. Opponents claim the project will affect closer to two dozen wetland acres

"It was no longer an environmental issue. It was a political issue. The 10,000 cubic yards it will take to fill the wetlands is a very minute amount, "Walker said.

The need for teamwork among developer, architect and regulatory agencies was the main lesson Walker said he took away from the Homestead experience.

"In retrospect, there isn't a single thing we could have done differently," Walker said. "Bob (Kuras) has been through the ringer with this. But he never gave up. Someone has to pave the way and he did it."

Matthews agreed.

"If it hadn't been Bob Kuras, it would have been someone else," he said.

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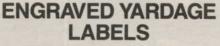
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