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COMMUNITY RESOURCES DEPARTMENT | ENVIRONMENTAL DIVISION

Date: November 3, 2026

To: Kylie Bagley, Planning and Community Development Department

From: Nancy Prieve, Environmental Division, Community Resources Department

Subject: Peyton Highway 310 Map Amendment P2614

The El Paso County Environmental Division has completed its review of the Peyton Highway 310 Map Amendment P2614. Our review consisted of the following items: wetlands, federally listed threatened or endangered species, general wildlife resources, migratory birds and noxious weeds.

1. Be advised that migratory birds and the nests and eggs of these species are protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA). It appears that prairie dogs may be present on the property. Burrowing owls utilize prairie dog holes for nesting. If prairie dogs are present, it is recommended that the applicant conduct a burrowing owl survey prior to undertaking ground disturbing activities in order to avoid possible violations of the MBTA. The applicant is hereby on notice that the U.S Fish and Wildlife Service has regulatory jurisdiction over migratory bird species. It is the applicant's responsibility, and not El Paso County's, to ensure compliance with all applicable laws and regulations, including but not limited to the MBTA.

2. The project may interfere with wildlife habitat. Information regarding wildlife protection measures such as fencing requirements, garbage containment, and protection/buffer zones shall be provided as appropriate. Information can be obtained from Colorado Parks and Wildlife.

The applicant must obtain the necessary approvals from all federal, state and county agencies as a part of their planning process.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on this project. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (719) 520-7845.