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**Date:** February 14, 2020

**To:** Ryan Howser, Planning and Community Development Department

**From:** Nancy Prieve, Environmental Division, Community Services Department

**Subject:** Hotchkiss Site Development Plan PPR203

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The El Paso County Environmental Division has completed its review of the Hotchkiss Site Development Plan PPR203. Our review consisted of the following items: wetlands, federal and state listed threatened or endangered species, general wildlife resources and noxious weeds.

1. **Documentation regarding consultation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service related to the Preble’s meadow jumping mouse must be provided to the Planning and Community Development Department prior to project commencement.** The applicant is hereby on notice that the USFWS has regulatory jurisdiction over threatened and endangered species and migratory birds, respectively. 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 Endangered Species Act and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act.

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.