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Forest Lakes, Filing No 7, SF-21-72

Please accept the following comments from El Paso County Public Health regarding the residential development project referenced above:

- The 82.5-acre site with 72-residential lots planned for the development will be provided water and wastewater services by Forest Lakes Metropolitan District (FLMD).
- There is a finding for water quality sufficiency from this Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) regulated and approved district. FLMD has PWSID #CO0121360 assigned by CDPHE. FLMD has provided a Water/Sewer Service Commitment Letter dated 21July2021.
- Radon resistant construction building techniques/practices are encouraged to be used in this area. The EPA has determined that Colorado, and the El Paso County area, have potentially higher radon levels than other areas of the country.
- All water quality basins must have mosquito control responsibilities included as a part of the construction design and maintenance plan to help control mosquito breeding habitat and minimize the potential for West Nile Virus.
- Earthmoving activity in excess of one acre, but less than twenty-five acres, requires a local Construction Activity Permit from El Paso County Public Health. Go to <u>https://www.elpasocountyhealth.org/service/air-quality/constructionactivity-application</u> for more information. Earthmoving activities greater than 25 acres require a Construction Activity Permit from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Air Pollution Control Division. Go to: <u>https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/general-air-permits</u>
- El Paso County Public Health encourages planned walkability of residential communities as this plan has incorporated. Thank you for considering appropriate connections within the development and connection to surrounding areas using trails. Walkability features help reduce obesity and associated heart diseases.

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