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**Subject: Grazing Yak Solar Facility 1041 Activities and Areas of State Interest (AASI-19-003)**

Hello Kari,

The Park Operations Division of the Community Services Department has reviewed the 1041 Activities and Areas of State Interest development application for the Grazing Yak Solar Facility project and has the following comments of behalf of El Paso County Parks.

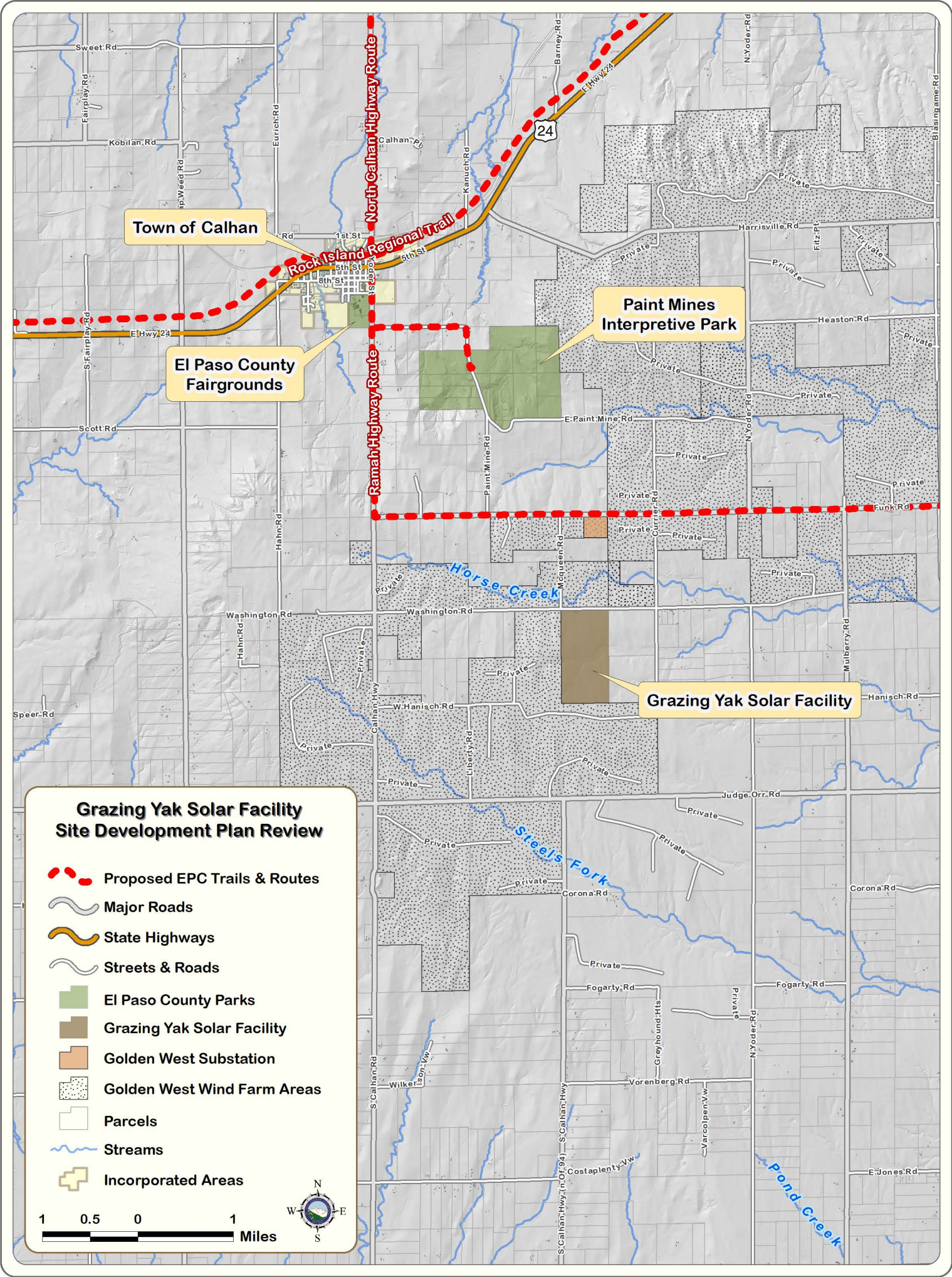
The El Paso County Parks Master Plan (2013) shows no parks, trails, open space, or candidate open space impacted by the proposed project. The Grazing Yak Solar Facility is located on Washington Road approximately 2 miles south of Paint Mines Interpretive Park in the same general location as the expansive Golden West Wind Farm, while the existing Golden West Substation is located on Funk Road approximately 1 mile south of the Paint Mines. The Master Plan does show the Golden West Substation located immediately adjacent and south of proposed Ramah Highway Bicycle Route. County Parks may request trail/route easements where utility infrastructure and/or transmission lines may impact County trails/routes. As it pertains to this application, dedicated right-of-way already exists along the aforementioned bicycle route, so no easement requests are necessary at that location; however, the applicant is advised that multi-modal transportation options may be developed with the rights-of-way in the future.

These comments are being provided administratively, as this application does not require Park Advisory Board consideration.

Sincerely,

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El Paso County Fairgrounds

Paint Mines Interpretive Park

Grazing Yak Solar Facility

**Grazing Yak Solar Facility Site Development Plan Review**

-  Proposed EPC Trails & Routes
-  Major Roads
-  State Highways
-  Streets & Roads
-  El Paso County Parks
-  Grazing Yak Solar Facility
-  Golden West Substation
-  Golden West Wind Farm Areas
-  Parcels
-  Streams
-  Incorporated Areas

