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Subject: Rex Road – Eastonville Road Construction Documents (CDR-23-006)

Hello Ryan,

The Parks Planning Division of the Parks and Community Services Department has reviewed the Rex Road Extension Construction Documents and has the following comments on behalf of El Paso County Parks.

GTL Development, Inc., is requesting approval of the Rex Road Extension Construction Drawings, regarding the design and construction of the Rex Road extension commencing at the easternmost boundary of Meridian Ranch, continuing through El Paso County's Falcon Regional Park, and connecting to Eastonville Road at its eastern terminus. The site is located northeast of the unincorporated Town of Falcon, north of the current intersection of Londonderry Drive and Eastonville Road.

The 2022 El Paso County Parks Master Plan shows major impacts to Falcon Regional Park. The Rex Road extension has been planned to traverse east-west through Falcon Regional Park, and therefore, the park was master planned with Rex Road being an integral feature of the park. Parks staff has worked closely with GTL Development and Meridian Service Metropolitan District to work out many details involving stormwater detention, regional trail crossings, and the relocated entrance to the Falcon Regional Park Dog Park.

The existing Eastonville Primary Regional Trail will cross Rex Road north-south near its intersection with Eastonville Road. This crossing is temporary until such time that Eastonville Road is expanded and a roundabout is constructed at the intersection. The temporary crossing includes 6' Tier III crusher fine trails and concrete sidewalks, ADA ramps, and a signed and striped pedestrian crossing near the new Rex Road entrance to the Falcon Dog Park.

The Construction Drawings show a 10.85-acre grading boundary with a smaller area of grading limits. The grading boundary includes the Rex Road Extension, drainage channel improvements, and the construction of a small stormwater detention basin near Eastonville Road. This grading boundary will serve as the limits of a necessary temporary access agreement, which will be completed and executed prior to the start of the Rex Road Extension project. The grading boundary must be surveyed and the request made at least two months prior to project commencement.

All Construction Drawing details have been reviewed extensively and approved by Parks staff. These comments are being provided administratively and do not require Park Advisory Board review or approval.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



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