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Homestead North, SP-20-8

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

- The proposed 147-residential lot, 60.6-acre, development will be provided water through Sterling Ranch Metropolitan District No.1, and wastewater treatment service will be provided by Meridian Service Metropolitan District through an inter-governmental agreement with Sterling Ranch Metropolitan District No.1. Letters of Commitment to Serve Water and Wastewater from Sterling Ranch Metropolitan District No. 1, dated 21Jan2021, were included with the submittal and were reviewed.
- A finding for sufficiency in terms of water quality for this Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division, approved water system is made. The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment has assigned PWSID # CO0121724 to the district.
- The Water Resources Report dated 28Feb2021, and the Wastewater Report for Sterling Ranch Homestead North Phase 1 dated November 2020, by JDS-Hydro, Consultants, Inc., was reviewed, and supports the determination of Sterling Ranch Metropolitan District No.1 for water and wastewater services.
- 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: https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/general-air-permits
- Radon resistant construction building techniques/practices are encouraged to be used in this area. The EPA has determined that Colorado, and specifically the El Paso County area, have higher radon levels than other areas of the country.
- El Paso County Public Health encourages planned walkability of residential communities. Please consider appropriate connections to commercial areas through the use of sidewalks, and bike trails.
 Walkability features help reduce obesity and associated heart diseases.

• The water quality basin 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.

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