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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

March 23, 2023

Ross Williams Park Planner El Paso County Parks and Community Services Department 2002 Creek Crossing Colorado Springs, CO 80905

RE: Arroya Lane Subdivision Exemption Notice to Adjacent Property Owners

Dear Property Owner,

On behalf of the El Paso County Parks and Community Services Department and in accordance with the El Paso County Land Development Code, please accept this Adjacent Property Owner Notification for a Subdivision Exemption process in your vicinity.

The Friends of the Black Forest Preservation Plan wish to transfer ownership of a 4-acre parcel of land which is currently under a Warranty Deed. Due to the manner in which it was subdivided from its parent parcel as a Quit Claim Deed, El Paso County is applying for a Subdivision Exemption so the property can be transferred to the County.

The parcel will be utilized ultimately as a trail corridor for the proposed Sand Creek Primary Regional Trail, which will connect the extensive trail systems of the City of Colorado Springs, as well as Black Forest Section 16, Pineries Open Space, and the existing Palmer Divide Regional Trail/Woodlake Trail.

For questions specific to this process, please contact:

El Paso County Parks and Community Services Ross Williams, Park Planner 2002 Creek Crossing Colorado Springs, CO 80905 (719) 520-6984 *rosswilliams@elpasoco.com*

Site Location, Zoning, and Acreage:

- Site Location: The subject property (El Paso County Assessor's Office Parcel Schedule No. 5221400003) is located immediately northeast of and adjacent the intersection of Vollmer Road and Arroya Lane in unincorporated north central El Paso County.
- **Zoning:** The subject property is zoned RR-5, Residential Rural.
- Acreage: The subject property is 4 acres +/- and is currently unplatted.

Request and Justification:

The purpose of this Subdivision Exemption request is to create a parcel from the subject property that will be conveyed from The Friends of the Black Forest Preservation Plan to the El Paso County Parks and Community Services Department.

As noted previously, the intended purpose of this Subdivision Exemption application is for the publicly accessible Sand Creek Primary Regional Trail and Arroya Lane Primary Regional Trail corridors, as identified in the 2022 El Paso County Parks Master Plan, a part of the overall El Paso County Strategic Plan. The Sand Creek Regional Trail and Arroya Lane Regional Trail intersect at the subject property and will provide ultimately for public off-street pedestrian connections from the City of Colorado Springs to locations further north, such as Black Forest Section 16, Pineries Open Space, and the Palmer Divide Primary Regional Trail.

The subject property is ideal for the planning and construction of an 8'-wide regional trail, consisting of rolling grades covered in natural grasses and intermittent ponderosa pine trees. An existing ranch access road winds north-south through the property and would provide for a good foundation on which to align the regional trail.

Trail construction is not planned for the short term and the site will remain a County-owned open space until such time that the Sand Creek Regional Trail is planned and funded in full.

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

Sincerely,

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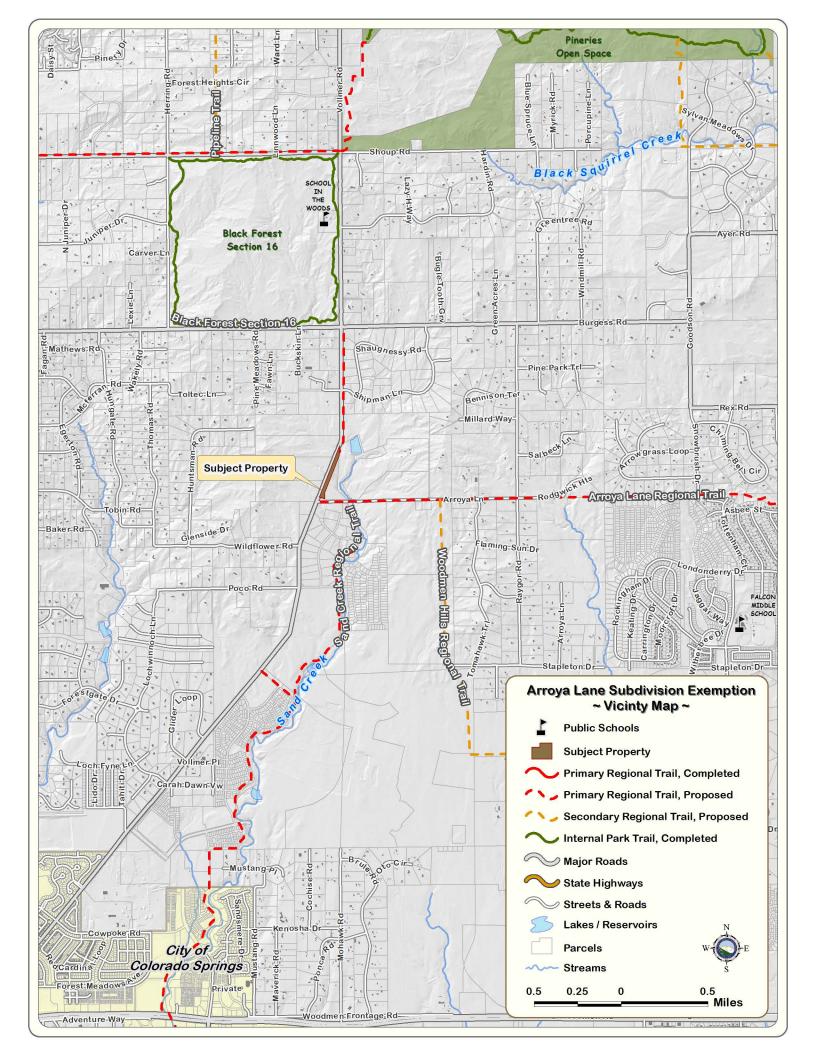
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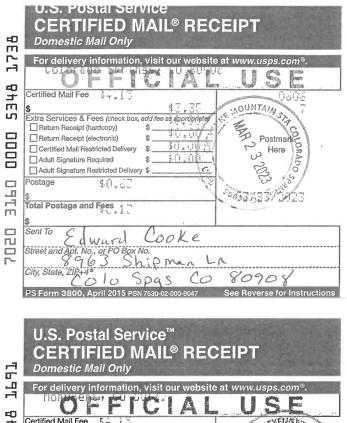
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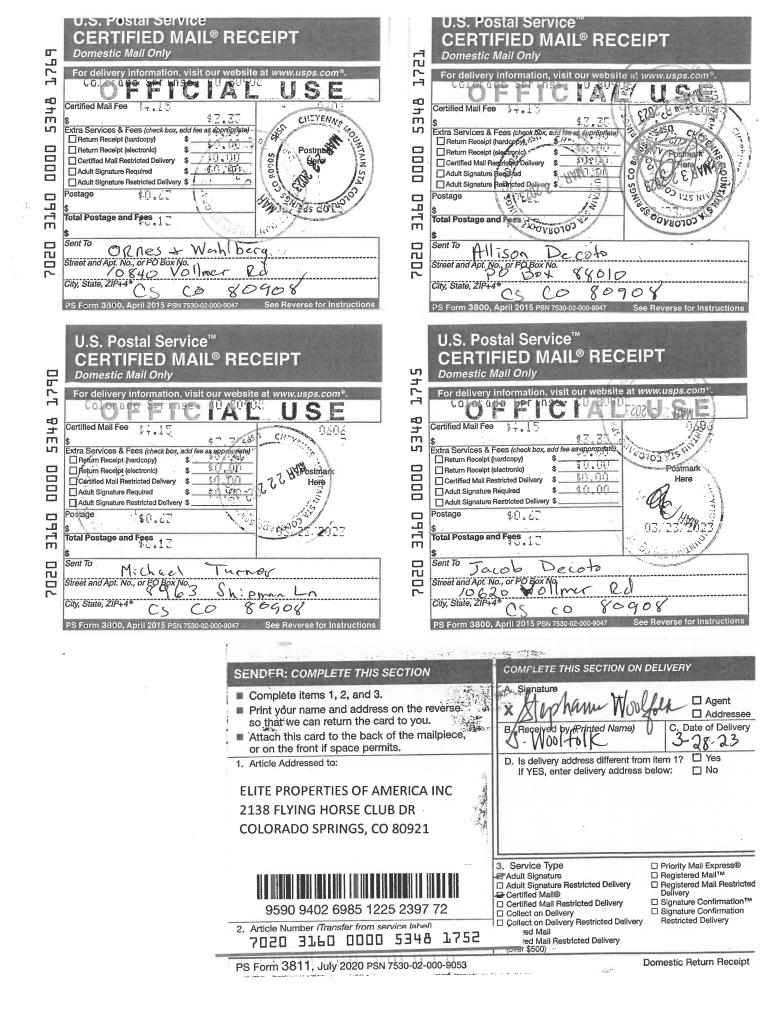
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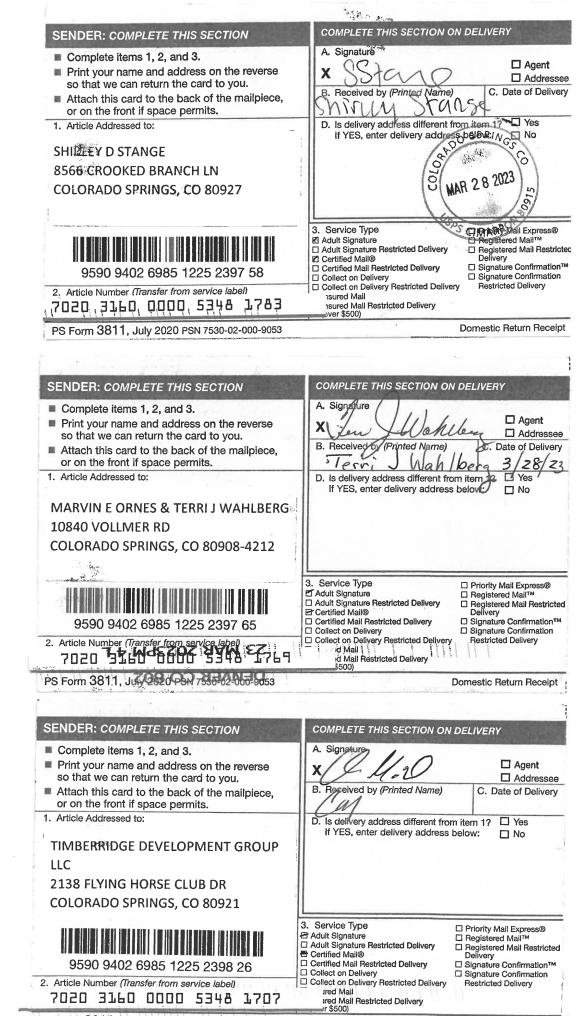
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