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**Date:** October 22, 2019

**To:** Nina Ruiz, Planning and Community Development Department

**From:** Nancy Prieve, Community Services Department, Environmental Division

**Subject:** Gardens at North Carefree PUDSP Amendment – PUDSP198

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The El Paso County Environmental Division has completed its review of the Gardens at North Carefree PUDSP Amendment – PUDSP198. Our review consisted of the following items: wetlands, federal and state listed threatened or endangered species, general wildlife resources and noxious weeds.

We have reviewed the submittal and have no comments at this time.

The applicant is hereby on notice that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service have regulatory jurisdiction over wetland and threatened and endangered species issues, respectively. It is the applicant’s responsibility, and not El Paso County’s, to ensure compliance with all applicable county, state, and federal laws and regulations, including, but not limited to, the Clean Water Act, Endangered Species Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Colorado Noxious Weed Act and El Paso County Weed Management Plan.

We appreciate the opportunity to comment on this project. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (719) 520-7845.