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Hotchkiss Variance, VA-18-001

Please accept the following comments from El Paso County Public Health for the variance request referenced above:

- **Water service for the proposed operation is planned to be by individual private well. If, however, the total number of employees the of the various businesses that could occupy the structure at capacity is 25 or more, then the water system would require to regulated as non-transient, non-community water system. If the occupancy at capacity is less than 25 employees, then the water system will remain private and unregulated.**
- **Wastewater service for the proposed use is provided by an existing onsite wastewater treatment system (OWTS) that was approved in 1979 for a 3 bedroom house. A Colorado Registered Professional Engineer with experience in OWTS design must provide verification that the existing OWTS has sufficient capacity to serve the number of employees at capacity. A Minor Repair OWTS Permit may be required to connect the new structure to the existing OWTS building sewer line.**
- **The Letter of Intent indicated the detached garage could possibly be used for a small business. Unless the employees in this separate structure will always have access to the restroom in the main structure, an OWTS serving this garage structure must be installed, and must meet all current El Paso County Public Health OWTS Regulations.**
- **The existing soil treatment area of the 1979 OWTS and an alternate soil treatment area site must be physically located on the property, and protected from possible compaction by all vehicle traffic or parking.**

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