

COLORADO

Department of Transportation

Region 2 Permits 5615 Wills Blvd. Pueblo, CO 81008-2349

May 18, 2021

I-25 Exit 122/SH16A El Paso County | City of Fountain

Kari Parsons, Project Manager/Planner II E. P. C. Planning & Community Development 2880 International Circle Colorado Springs, CO. 80910

RE: Pike Solar 1041 Submittal - SE of Fountain-East of PPIR

Dear Kari,

I am in receipt of a referral request for comments for Pike Solar LLC this Project is a solar facility that will provide 175 alternating current (AC) MW of photovoltaic solar energy and also provide up to a 50 MW X4 hour battery energy storage system. The power generated from the Pike Solar Project will interconnect directly with the Colorado Springs Utilities grid. The site will have a project footprint of approximately 1,350 acres. The proposed project will be located within parcels 5600-00-0123 and 5600-00-0140. This land is owned by the City of Colorado Springs on behalf of its enterprise Colorado Springs Utilities in El Paso County, Colorado. The site located off Birdsall Road and the other entrance will be located just south of the Fountain Landfill off Squirrel Creek Road. The Williams Creek Substation is located on parcel 5600-00-0123 for the proposed system improvements associated with this Project.

Traffic Operations:

The CDOT Traffic Operations Manager has reviewed the Traffic Memo dated 03/10/2021 and submitted engineering documents and has the following comments.

a) No comments are required for this project.

Materials:

The CDOT Materials Engineer has reviewed the submittal package and has the following comments.

a) No comments

Environmental:

The CDOT Environmental Engineer has reviewed the submittal package and has the following comments.



- a) The archaeological report has redacted sections which does not make the report complete. It was unclear if these sections were incomplete edits or sensitive information was removed
- b) I concur with the BRR, The Phase I.
- c) No further comments are required.

Access:

CDOT Access has reviewed the submittal package and has the following comments.

- No CDOT Access Permit will be required, temporary or permanent.
- CDOT requests to be involved in the development as we move forward.

Additionally,

- On-premise and off-premise signing shall comply with the current Colorado Outdoor Advertising Act, sections 43-1-401 to 421, C.R.S., and all rules and regulations pertaining to outdoor advertising. Please contact Mr. Todd Ausbun at (719) 696-1403 for any questions regarding advertising devices.
- Any utility work within the state highway right of way will require a utility permit from the CDOT. Information for obtaining a utility permit can also be obtained by contacting Mr. Ausbun.

Please contact me in Pueblo at (719) 546-5732 or (719) 248-0905 with any questions.

Sincerely

Arthur Gonzales CDOT R2 - Access Manager

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