

Letter of Intent for Site Development Plan

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RE: Site Development Plan - Monument Glamping I

Purpose and Scope

This letter serves as the Letter of Intent for the Site Development Plan of Monument Glamping I. The purpose of this plan is to outline the development of our glamping site located at 16315 Rickenbacker Avenue, Monument, CO, and ensure it aligns with the El Paso County zoning and development regulations.

Project Description

Monument Glamping I is an existing recreation camp operating on a 6.44-acre property zoned RR-5 (Residential Rural). The site development plan includes:

1. **Expansion of Glamping Sites:** Increase the number of glamping sites from 8 to 12 to enhance visitor accommodations.
2. **Infrastructure Enhancements:** Installation of high-quality opaque screening for privacy and an improved layout for optimal site utilization.
3. **Sanitation Facilities:** Expansion and enhancement of onsite wastewater treatment facilities to accommodate the increased number of sites.
4. **Access and Transportation:** Continued use of Rickenbacker Avenue for site access with internal driveways providing access to individual glamping sites.

Goals and Compliance

The primary goal of this site development plan is to provide a unique, low-impact recreational experience while maintaining harmony with the surrounding rural residential area. Our development will:

- **Enhance Visitor Experience:** By increasing the number of glamping sites and improving infrastructure, we aim to offer a better experience for our guests.
- **Maintain Aesthetic Value:** Implementing opaque screening and strategic site placement to ensure privacy and maintain the natural beauty of the area.
- **Support Local Tourism:** Expanding accommodations to attract more visitors, thereby supporting local businesses and tourism in El Paso County.

Compliance with Zoning and Development Regulations

- **Zoning:** The project complies with the RR-5 zoning regulations, which allow for recreation camps with special use approval (approved June 2024).
- **Sanitation:** The expansion of the onsite wastewater treatment system will comply with El Paso County Public Health requirements.
- **Access and Transportation:** Adequate access will be provided via existing roads without causing traffic congestion or hazards.
- **Environmental Impact:** The project will not negatively impact air, water, light, or noise pollution, adhering to all local, state, and federal regulations.

Phased Development

The development of Monument Glamping I will occur in two phases:

- **Phase 1:** This phase will update the existing 8 units to comply with the Special Use permit requirements. This includes having 5 tent units and 3 hard-sided structures. All necessary building permits will be updated during this phase.
- **Phase 2:** This phase will add 4 additional units to the glamping site. Road Impact Fees will be paid during this phase, as the original fees have already been paid.

In summary, the Site Development Plan for Monument Glamping I aims to provide high-quality, sustainable outdoor recreation in alignment with the county's development goals. We are committed to enhancing the local tourism infrastructure while preserving the rural character of our property.

Thank you for considering our application. We look forward to your positive response and are available for any further information or site visits as required.

Sincerely,

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