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Kari Parsons
El Paso County Planning and Community Development Department
2880 International Circle, Suite 110
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Re: The Retreat at TimberRidge – Final Plat Application

Dear Ms. Parsons:

This firm represents the Upper Black Squirrel Creek Ground Water Management District (“the UBS District”), a formed and operating ground water management district with the powers enumerated in the Colorado Ground Water Management Act, C.R.S. § 37-90-101 *et seq.* The UBS District has reviewed TimberRidge Estates, LLC’s (“Applicant’s”) final plat application for the Retreat at TimberRidge, as well as the materials provided in support of this application. Based upon its understanding of the application and related documentation concerning this project, the UBS District provides the following comments.

Water Supplies for the Retreat at TimberRidge

As explained in the Applicant’s letter of intent submitted with its application, the Retreat at TimberRidge (Phase 1) will consist of ten single family residential lots, eight of which will be 2.5 acres in size and two of which will be 5 acres in size. As noted in the letter of intent, water and wastewater services will be provided to the Retreat at TimberRidge by the TimberRidge Metropolitan District via an intergovernmental agreement with Sterling Ranch Metropolitan District. The Retreat at TimberRidge is located to the west of the Upper Black Squirrel Creek Designated Ground Water Basin (“UBS Basin”), but Sterling Ranch discharges wastewater within the UBS Basin. Any water that is discharged into the UBS Basin without a replacement plan or recharge plan approved by the Ground Water Commission is relinquished to the designated basin’s aquifer and, therefore, becomes designated ground water.

Moreover, the water discharged into the UBS Basin must comply with all applicable water quality standards set forth in the Water Quality Control Commission’s (“WQCC’s”) Regulation Nos. 41 and 42. Requiring the water supplied to the TimberRanch Metropolitan District to comply with all applicable site-specific water quality standards is essential to ensure that water quality within the UBS Basin is not unreasonably impaired.

The UBS District reserves the right to provide additional comments at a later date founded upon information not readily ascertainable from the above-referenced application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L Thompson". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Lisa M. Thompson
for
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cc: UBSCGWMD Board of Directors