



January 19, 2022

El Paso County Planning and Community Development  
Attn: Kari Parsons  
2880 International Circle  
Colorado Springs, CO 80910

Re: Pike Solar Energy Project – Kane Ranch Regional Trail Access

Ms. Parsons,

The City of Colorado Springs on behalf of Colorado Springs Utilities (“Utilities”) owns the two parcels identified by El Paso County Tax Schedule Numbers 56000-00-123 and 56000-00-140 known as the Lower Williams Creek Site (“Site”) and is in support of the Pike Solar Project’s Wind and Solar Energy overlay zoning application.

Utilities recognizes that El Paso County Parks Master Plan from 2013 depicts a public access trail through the Site; however, at this time Utilities will not approve a public access trail through the Site due to potential safety concerns, state and federal regulations, construction and operational plans.

Utilities is committed to working with El Paso County Parks Department on potential alternatives for the planned trail system in this area.

Please contact me by phone 719-668-7581 or email [jedavis@csu.org](mailto:jedavis@csu.org) if you have any further questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Jessica K. Davis  
Land Resource Manager  
Colorado Springs Utilities