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# Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2 Updated Traffic Technical Memorandum PCD File No. SF-21-021 <br> (LSC \#S214200) <br> October 4, 2021 

## Traffic Engineer's Statement

This traffic report and supporting information were prepared under my responsible charge and they comport with the standard of care. So far as is consistent with the standard of care, said report was prepared in general conformance with the criteria established by the County for traffic reports.


## Developer's Statement

I, the Developer, have read and will comply with all commitments made on my behalf within this report.


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RE: Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2<br>El Paso County, CO<br>Traffic Technical Memorandum<br>LSC \#S214200

Dear Mr. Moreland:

LSC Transportation Consultants, Inc. has prepared this updated traffic technical memorandum for the Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2. As shown in Figure 1 The Retreat at TimberRidge is located generally east of Vollmer Road and south of Arroya Lane in El Paso County, Colorado. LSC prepared a traffic impact study (TIS) for the entire Retreat at TimberRidge PUD development plan dated January 25,2018 and a traffic memorandum that addressed phasing of that development dated June 29, 2018. LSC also completed a traffic technical memorandum for Filing No. 1 dated April 3, 2020. The lot and street plan has not changed since completion of those reports. This memorandum is intended as a site-specific, final plat traffic report for the currently-proposed filing.

## REPORT CONTENTS

This report presents:

- A description of Retreat at TimberRidge filings that are currently under review, currently proposed, and planned for the future;
- The current status of other subdivisions shown on the approved PUD plan;
- Projections of short-term and long-term background traffic volumes at the intersection of Vollmer Road/Poco Road;
- The projected average weekday and peak-hour vehicle trips to be generated by the Retreat at TimberRidge Filing Ns. 2;
- The assignment of the Filing No. 2 projected trips to the key area intersections;
- The projected short-term and long-term level of service at the intersection of Vollmer Road/Poco Road;
- The recommended street classifications for the internal streets within the currently-proposed Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2;
- Improvements needed with Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2; and
- The project's obligation to the County roadway improvement fee program.


## LAND USE AND ACCESS

The Retreat at TimberRidge Preliminary Plan area includes the 203 lots for single-family homes located east of Vollmer Road and two lots for single-family homes located west of Vollmer Road and south of Arroya Lane. Figure 2 shows the location of the approved Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 1, the currently-proposed Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2, and future filings. The June 2018 transportation memorandum included analysis of the preliminary plan by phase. Figure 1 from that report shows the phasing plan. No changes have been made to the PUD plan since completion of that memorandum. The current status of subdivisions is discussed below.

## Current Status of Other Subdivisions Shown on the Approved PUD Plan

The approved Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 1 includes 70 lots for single-family homes. The location of the lots within this filing includes 11 of the 13 lots assumed in the Preliminary Plan Phase 2 plan and the 59 lots assumed in Preliminary Plan Phase 3 plan in the June 2018 transportation memorandum. Access is planned to an extension of Poco Road. The proposed easternmost north/south street segments connecting to Arroya Lane will be constructed initially as a gravel road as part of Filing 1. This gravel road will be constructed to provide an interim secondary emergency access. No improvements are planned to Arroya Lane as part of the approved Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 1.

The TimberRidge Estates Filing No. 1 (different from "Retreat at TimberRidge" Filing No. 1) was under review by El Paso County. However, it has now been withdrawn. These 10 lots remain part of the approved PUD plan and are shown as part of Phase 1 of the Preliminary Plan. With the withdrawal of the subdivision plat, although part of Phase 1 of the Preliminary Plan, there is now no current plan to develop these lots in the short term. This filing planned 10 lots for single-family homes located east of Vollmer Road and north of Arroya Lane. Access is to Arroya Lane only. LSC completed a transportation memorandum for this filing dated April 19, 2018. As discussed with County staff and Black Forest Fire District (reference revised fire commitment letter dated March 22, 2020), Arroya Lane requires no further improvements at this time.

LSC is not aware of any status updates for the two lots for single-family homes on the west side of Vollmer Road. These two lots were included in Preliminary Plan Phase 2 in the June 2018 transportation memorandum.

## Currently-Proposed Filing No. 2

The Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2 is currently proposed to include 90 lots for single-family homes. The location of the lots within this filing includes 6 of the 33 lots assumed in the Preliminary Plan Phase 4, 12 of the 15 lots assumed in the Preliminary Plan Phase 5 and 72 of the 75 lots assumed in the Preliminary Plan Phase 6. No changes are proposed to the Filing 1 access plan with Filing 2.

## TRIP GENERATION

The Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2 site-generated vehicle trips have been estimated using the nationally published trip-generation rates from Trip Generation, 10th Edition, 2017 by the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE). Table 1 shows the trip-generation estimates for these filings. Table 1 also shows estimates of the traffic expected to be generated by the approved Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 1 and by future Retreat at TimberRidge filings. The total trips generated by the Retreat at TimberRidge at buildout is consistent with the estimate shown in Table 1 of The Retreat at TimberRidge Preliminary Plan Transportation Memorandum dated June 29, 2018.

The Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2 is expected to generate 850 vehicle trips on the average weekday, with about half entering and half exiting the site during a 24 -hour period. During the morning peak hour, which generally occurs for one hour between 6:30 and 8:30 a.m., about 17 vehicles would enter and 50 vehicles would exit the site. During the afternoon peak hour, which generally occurs for one hour between $4: 15$ and 6:15 p.m., about 56 vehicles would enter and 33 vehicles would exit the site.

## TRIP DISTRIBUTION AND ASSIGNMENT

When the estimated site trips from Table 1 are directionally distributed according to the LSC estimated short-term and long-term percentages shown in Figure 7 from the Retreat at TimberRidge Updated Traffic Impact Analysis dated January 25, 2018, the resulting projected site-generated traffic volumes can be determined. Figures 3 shows the projected short-term traffic volumes at the key area intersections and street segments due to the currently-proposed Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No.2. The short-term site-generated traffic volumes assume emergency-only access to Arroyo Lane and no access east of the site. Figure 4 shows the long-term site-generated traffic volumes assuming full buildout of the street system within the Retreat at TimberRidge including both future connections to Arroyo Lane and connections through the parcels to the east.

## BACKGROUND TRAFFIC

Background traffic is the traffic estimated to be on the adjacent roadways and at adjacent intersections without the proposed development's trip generation of site-generated traffic volumes. Background traffic includes the through traffic and the traffic generated by nearby developments but assumes zero traffic generated by the Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2.

Figure 5 shows the projected short-term background traffic volumes at the intersection of Vollmer Road/Poco Road. The short-term background traffic includes the existing traffic volumes plus increases in through traffic due to regional growth, plus traffic estimated to be generated by buildout of the Homestead at Sterling Ranch Filings 1 and 2, Branding Iron at Sterling Ranch Filings 1 and 2, Sterling Ranch Filing No. 2, Sterling Ranch Phase 2, Homestead North Filing No. 1, and the Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 1.

Figure 6 shows the projected 2040 background traffic volumes at the key area intersections. 2040 background traffic-volume estimates were based on 2040 volume projections in the El Paso County Major Transportation Corridors Plan (MTCP) and previous work completed in the area by LSC, including the Sterling Ranch Updated Traffic Impact Analysis by LSC (dated June 5, 2008) and the Retreat at TimberRidge Updated Traffic Impact Analysis by LSC (dated January 25, 2018). The 2040 background traffic volumes assume buildout of the Sterling Ranch development, including future phases of Homestead North, and buildout of the Retreat at TimberRidge. The 2040 background traffic assumes Briargate Parkway/Stapleton Road has been constructed between Black Forest Road and Towner Avenue and that the intersection of Briargate/Wheatland is restricted to a threequarter movement (left-in/right-in/right-out only) for the south leg and right-in/right-out only for the north leg. The 2040 background traffic also assumes a connection between the intersection of Wheatland/Briargate and Poco Road through the Homestead North area.

## TOTAL TRAFFIC

Figure 7 shows the projected short-term total traffic volumes at the intersection of Vollmer Road/Poco Road. The short-term total traffic volumes are the sum of the short-term site-generated traffic volumes (from Figure 3) plus the short-term background traffic volumes (from Figure 5).

Figure 8 shows the projected 2040 total traffic volumes at the intersection of Vollmer Road/Poco Road. The 2040 total traffic volumes are the sum of the long-term site-generated traffic volumes (from Figure 4) plus the 2040 background traffic volumes (from Figure 6).

## LEVEL OF SERVICE

Level of service (LOS) is a quantitative measure of the level of delay at an intersection. Level of service is indicated on a scale from A to F. LOS A represents control delay of less than 10 seconds for unsignalized and signalized intersections. LOS F represents control delay of more than 50 seconds for unsignalized intersections and more than 80 seconds for signalized intersections. Table 1 shows the level of service delay ranges.

Table 1: Intersection Levels of Service Delay Ranges

| Level of Service | Signalized Intersections | Unsignalized Intersections |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Average Control Delay <br> (seconds per vehicle) | Average Control Delay (seconds <br> per vehicle) ${ }^{(1)}$ |
| A | 10.0 sec or less | 10.0 sec or less |
| B | $10.1-20.0 \mathrm{sec}$ | $10.1-15.0 \mathrm{sec}$ |
| C | $20.1-35.0 \mathrm{sec}$ | $15.1-25.0 \mathrm{sec}$ |
| D | $35.1-55.0 \mathrm{sec}$ | $25.1-35.0 \mathrm{sec}$ |
| E | $55.1-80.0 \mathrm{sec}$ | $35.1-50.0 \mathrm{sec}$ |
| F | 80.1 sec or more | 50.1 sec or more |
| (1) For unsignalized intersections, if $\mathrm{V} / \mathrm{C}$ ratio is greater than 1.0 the level of service is LOS |  |  |
| F, regardless of the projected average control delay per vehicle. |  |  |

The intersection of Vollmer Road/Poco Road was analyzed using the unsignalized method of analysis procedures outlined in the Highway Capacity Manual, 6th Edition by the Transportation Research Board. The results of the analysis are shown in Figures 5 through 8. All movements at the stop-sign-controlled intersection of Vollmer Road/Poco Road are projected to operate at an acceptable level of service (LOS D or better) during the peak hours through 2040.

## SUBDIVISION STREET CLASSIFICATIONS

Figure 2 from the June 2018 transportation memorandum showed the recommended street classifications for the internal streets within the Retreat at TimberRidge plan. The recommendations within the Filing No. 2 area are still valid.

## ROADWAY IMPROVEMENTS

Table 3 from the June 2018 memorandum contained a summary of needed improvements for the entire TimberRidge PUD plan by phase. A copy of this table with markups and notations is attached. The approved Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 1 and the currently-proposed Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2 includes 160 of the 195 lots identified in that memorandum as Phases 2 through 6. TimberRidge Filing Nos 1 and 2 do not include the 10 lots shown as Preliminary Plan Phase 1 nor the two lots located west of Vollmer Road. These filings also do not include the 33 lots within Phases 4 and 5 that are adjacent to Arroya Lane which would necessitate improvements to Arroya.

All recommendations in that table are still valid. However, it is important to note that the first improvement listed, identified as "Arroya Lane Initial/Interim," is no longer necessary in the short-term. Although this improvement is still associated with Phase 1 of the Preliminary Plan, and this area of Preliminary Plan Phase 1 will/may occur at a later date, the TimberRidge Estates

Filing No. 1 application (and plans for short-term development of 10 lots shown north of Arroya Lane) has been withdrawn. The improvements specially needed with the Retreat at Timber Ridge Filing Nos. 1 and 2 have been repeated below.

- Extend Poco Road to the east including the creek crossing.
- Construct a gravel road to provide secondary emergency access through the future filings area to Arroya Lane (this gravel road would be replaced with the subdivision streets with those future filings).
- Construct a northbound right-turn deceleration lane on Vollmer Road at Poco Road. Based on a design speed of 40 miles per hour and the criteria contained in the El Paso County Engineering Criteria Manual, this lane should be 155 feet long plus a 160-foot taper.


## Vollmer Road (from Poco Road South to Future Briargate Parkway)

Vollmer Road adjacent to and south of the site is a two-lane rural roadway (without paved shoulders) with a 60' right-of-way. The section south of Poco Road is ultimately planned as a four-lane urban minor arterial. It is planned to be improved as part of the Sterling Ranch Homestead North Preliminary Plan (File No. SP208) currently under review. If this plat is approved and recorded prior to the first Homestead North plat, an additional agreement, condition of approval, and/or Subdivision Improvement Agreement (SIA) clause will be required to address construction from Poco to Briargate.

## ROADWAY IMPROVEMENT FEE PROGRAM

This project will be required to participate in the El Paso County Road Improvement Fee Program. The Retreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2 will join the ten-mil PID. The 2019 ten-mil PID building permit fee portion associated with this option is $\$ 1,221$ per single-family dwelling unit. Based on 90 lots, the total building permit fee would be $\$ 109,890$.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this report.
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Table 1

| Phase | Land <br> Use <br> code Land <br> Lse <br> Description |  | Table 1Trip Generation EstimateRetreat at TimberRidge Filing No. 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Trip } \\ \text { Generation } \\ \text { Units } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  | Trip Generation Rates ${ }^{(1)}$ |  |  |  |  | Filing No. 1 Trips Generated |  |  |  |  | Filing No. 2 Trips Generated |  |  |  |  | Future Trips Generated |  |  |  |  | Total Trips Generated |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Average } \\ & \text { Weekday } \\ & \text { Traffic } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | MorningPeak Hour |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Afternoon } \\ & \text { Peak Hour } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Average } \\ \text { Weekday } \\ \text { Traffic } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Morning } \\ \text { Peak Hour } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Afternoon } \\ & \text { Peak Hour } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Average } \\ \text { Weekday } \\ \text { Traffic } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Morning } \\ & \text { Peak Hour } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Average } \\ \text { Weekday } \\ \text { Traffic } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Morning } \\ & \text { Peak Hour } \end{aligned}$ |  | AfternoonPeak Hour |  | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Average } \\ \text { Weekday } \\ \text { Traffic } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | MorningPeak Hour |  | Peak Hour |  |
|  |  |  | Fil1 | Fil2 | Future | Total |  |  | In | Out | In | Out |  | In | Out | In | Out |  | In | Out | In | Out |  | In | Out |  |  | In | Out | In | Out |
| Approved Preliminary Plan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 210 | Single-Family Detached Housing |  | 0 | 0 | 10 | 10 | DU ${ }^{(2)}$ | 9.44 | 0.19 | 0.56 | 0.62 | 0.37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 94 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 94 | 2 | 6 | 6 | 4 |
| 2 | 210 | Single-Family Detached Housing | 11 | 0 | 2 | 13 | Du | 9.44 | 0.19 | 0.56 | 0.62 | 0.37 | 104 | 2 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 19 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 123 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 5 |
| 3 | 210 | Single-Family Detached Housing | 59 | 0 | 0 | 59 | Du | 9.44 | 0.19 | 0.56 | 0.62 | 0.37 | 557 | 11 | 33 | 37 | 22 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 557 | 11 | 33 | 37 | 22 |
| 4 | 210 | Single-Family Detached Housing | 0 | 6 | 27 | 33 | Du | 9.44 | 0.19 | 0.56 | 0.62 | 0.37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 57 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 255 | 5 | 15 | 17 | 10 | 312 | 6 | 18 | 21 | 12 |
| 5 | 210 | Single-Family Detached Housing | 0 | 12 | 3 | 15 | DU | 9.44 | 0.19 | 0.56 | 0.62 | 0.37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 113 | 2 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 28 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 142 | 3 | 8 | 9 | 5 |
| 6 | 210 | Single-Family Detached Housing | 0 | 72 | 3 | 75 | DU | 9.44 | 0.19 | 0.56 | 0.62 | 0.37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 680 | 13 | 40 | 45 | 26 | 28 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 708 | 14 | 42 | 47 | 27 |
|  |  |  | 70 | 90 | 45 | 205 | DU |  |  |  |  |  | 661 | 13 | 39 | 44 | 26 | 850 | 17 | 50 | 56 | ${ }^{3}$ | 425 | 8 | 25 | 28 | 16 | 1,935 | 38 | 114 | 128 | 75 |
| Future Filings (Part of the overall PUD but not a part of the currently approved Preliminary Plan) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Single-Family Detached Housing | 0 | 0 | 7 |  | DU | 9.44 | 0.19 | 0.56 | 0.62 | 0.37 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 66 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 66 | 1 | 4 | 4 | 3 |
|  | Total a | Buildout of Retreat at TimberRidge |  |  |  | 212 | DU | 9.44 | 0.19 | 0.56 | 0.62 | 0.37 | 661 | 13 | 39 | 44 | 26 | 850 | 17 | 50 | 56 | 33 | 491 | 10 | 29 | 32 | 19 | 2,001 | 39 | 118 | 132 | 78 |
| Notes: <br> (1) Source: "Trip Generation, 10th Edition, 2017" by the Institute of Transportation Engineers (ITE) <br> (2) DU = dwelling unit |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Figures 1-5



Figure 2
Site Plan























## Improvements Table - with April 2020 Notations

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