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## Parks and Wildlife

Department of Natural Resources

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November 29, 2018

El Paso County  
ATTN: Nina Ruiz  
2880 International Circle,  
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Re: Eagle Rising Filing No. 1

Dear Nina Ruiz,

Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) has reviewed the plans for the Eagle Rising Filing No. 1 in El Paso County. Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) is in receipt of the above referenced permit application and is familiar with the site. Based both on the location and type of action that has been taken CPW anticipates that the impacts to the wildlife resource from this project would be minimal. CPW is in agreement with ERO Resources Corporation in the Natural Resources Assessment in reference to the removal of any bird nests. In addition, CPW suggests that care should be taken to avoid the destruction of active dens and nests while constructing structures, ponds, and trails. Possible dens or nests should be monitored for species activity. CPW would be concerned if trees and snags were removed for the development. The main concern with removal of trees is that these trees may be currently occupied or historic nest sites. Please take care to avoid removal of trees with occupied nests. For raptors, an active nest is any nest that is frequented or occupied by a raptor during the breeding season or which has been active in any of the five previous breeding seasons. Many raptors use alternate nests in various years; therefore, a nest may be active even if it is not occupied in a given year. Removal or relocation of any active raptor or migratory bird nest will require consultation with CPW and US Fish and Wildlife Service prior to disturbance. Both active and potential nest sites, winter night roosts should be considered when evaluating disturbance during construction.



We appreciate being given the opportunity to comment. Please feel free to contact District Wildlife Manager, Aaron Berscheid, should you have any questions or require additional information at 719-439-9601 or via email at [aaron.berscheid@state.co.us](mailto:aaron.berscheid@state.co.us)

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank McGee".

Frank McGee  
Area Wildlife Manager

Cc: SE regional files  
Area 14 files  
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