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### **Sterling Ranch Metropolitan Districts Nos 4 and 5, ID-23-1**

Please accept the following comments from El Paso County Public Health regarding the project referenced above:

- The proposed Sterling Ranch Metropolitan Districts Nos. 4 and 5 (SRMD4&5) of approximately 581 acres with approximately 1,600 single family residential lots. The SRMD4&5 includes, but is not limited to, plans for water, wastewater, street improvements, drainage, mosquito control, and parks.
- SRMD4&5 supplies water and wastewater services proposed must comply with the design criteria, and the rules and regulations established by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division for water and wastewater.
- The water quality basins proposed must have mosquito control responsibilities included as a part of the construction design and maintenance plan to help control mosquito breeding habitat and minimize the potential for West Nile Virus. Mosquito Control responsibilities are included in the SRMD4&5 Service Plan.
- Earthmoving activities greater than 25 acres require a Construction Activity Permit from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Air Pollution Control Division. Go to: <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/cdphe/general-air-permits>
- El Paso County Public Health encourages planned walk-ability of residential communities with sidewalks, walking paths, and bike trails to surrounding neighborhood parks, schools and commercial areas. Walk-ability features promote exercise, help reduce obesity and lower the risk of heart disease.
- Radon resistant construction building techniques/practices are encouraged in this area. The EPA has determined that Colorado, and specifically the El Paso County area, have higher radon levels than other areas of the country.

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