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Region 2 Permits
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SH24G / Judge Orr Rd.
El Paso County

Kari Parsons, Project Manager II/Planner
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RE: 1041 Meadow Lake Airport Expansion - AASI222

Dear Kari,

I am in receipt of request for planning referral comments for the Meadow Lake Airport Expansion project. The planned usage of this development is for the expansion and improvement of the Meadow Lake Airport. The site is generally located at the intersection of SH24 and Judge Orr Road in El Paso County, Colorado. Comments from CDOT staff are as follows;

Traffic

No traffic related documents were submitted or reviewed for this expansion project. Please follow the State highway Access Code criteria for possible improvements.

Hydraulics

The Master Development Drainage Report for Reagan Ranch dated September 2020 has been reviewed by a CDOT Hydraulics Engineer. Their comments follow:

Plan Comments:

- Please provide grading and drainage plans / as-builts for any existing or proposed drainage infrastructure utilized by the site

Report Comments:

- Please provide an updated drainage report. Please ensure that all information is up to date and to use the current accepted methods and criteria for hydrologic and hydraulic analyses

Environmental

No comments

Materials

No Comments



Access

- It is understood that this development is pre-existing and if any traffic volumes increase by 20% or more, highway improvements may be required for the connection intersection SH24G and Judge Orr Rd. and will be required to be documented with a new access permit per the State Highway Access Code 2002, Section 2.6, par 3, Changes in Land Use and Access Use.
- In accordance with El Paso County 2016 Major Transportation Corridors Plan, CDOT is requesting R.O.W dedication adequate enough to accommodate the future condition of 6 lanes on US24 in accordance with the El Paso County Land Development Code chapter 8.4.4 sect.(b).
- Let it be known that the signalized intersection at SH24 and Judge Orr Rd. will be reconstructed at some time in the future and may impact the development. No action toward this is necessary at this time.
- The Airport Layout Plan and Airport Master Plan have a few references to the widening of US 24 and/or the Judge Orr intersection improvements no schedule date of construction but is in the design phase.
- CDOT does have a plans to widen US24 and this was one of the Ballot Projects. It is still undetermined as to the time line for this project.
- The Airport Master Plan also states “At such time as CDOT decides to revisit those projects in the future, CDOT stated that they would fully coordinate with the MLAA to ensure that any future road development will not impact Meadow Lake Airport.” (page 6-3) CDOT does not concur with that statement and does not agree to that statement in the master plan.
- The documents do not include the US 24 PEL Study and it’s not referenced in the 1041 Letter of Intent. Instead, the Airport Master Plan and other documents reference the previous work at Judge Orr. A better comment for them would be to reference the planning work done with the PEL study and the widening and intersection conceptual plans in that area, since it’s more current than what is shown in the Master Plan.

Additionally,

- On-premise and off-premise signing shall comply with the current Colorado Outdoor Advertising Act, sections 43-1-401 to 421, C.R.S., and all rules and regulations pertaining to outdoor advertising. Please contact Mr. Todd Ausbun at (719) 696-1403 for any questions regarding advertising devices.
- Any utility work within the state highway right of way will require a utility permit from the CDOT. Information for obtaining a utility permit can also be obtained by contacting Mr. Ausbun.

Please contact me in Pueblo at (719) 546-5732 or by email arthur.gonzales@state.co.us with any questions.

Sincerely,



Arthur Gonzales
CDOT R2 - Access Manager



Xc: Joshua Palmer, Elizabeth Nijkamp, Jeff Rice - El Paso County Engineering and Community development and planning.
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