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Meridian Ranch Sketch Plan Amendment, SKP-17-001

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

- The proposed development will be provided water service through Meridian Service Metropolitan District. The Water Resources Report from Tech Contractors date June 2017 indicates there is a sufficient supply of water for the sketch plan amendment.
- There is a finding for sufficiency in terms of water quality for drinking water obtained from this Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, Water Quality Control Division regulated central water supply.
- There is sufficient wastewater treatment capacity based on the two
 established inter-governmental agreements with Paint Brush Hills
 Wastewater Treatment Facility and Black Squirrel Wastewater
 Treatment Facility to treat the projected wastewater flows for the
 proposed amendment to the sketch plan.
- Radon resistant construction building techniques/practices are encouraged to be used in this area. The EPA has determined that Colorado, and the El Paso County area have potentially higher radon levels than other areas of the country.
- Earthmoving activity in excess of one acre, but less than twenty-five acres, will require a Construction Activity Permit from El Paso County Public Health. Go to http://www.elpasocountyhealth.org/service/air-quality for more information.
- El Paso County Public Health encourages planned walk-ability of residential communities. Please consider appropriate connections to commercial areas through the use of sidewalks, and bike trails. Walkability features help reduce obesity and associated heart diseases.

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