# Sterling Ranch East Rezoning \& Preliminary Plan SP-22-004, P-22-012, P-22-013 Traffic Impact Study <br> (LS \#S224510) 

February 10, 2023

## 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.

east side of Sand Creek area. This is shown in Figure 2. A 5-foot trail along the south boundary will provide connectivity from the eastern portion of Sterling Ranch to the Regional Trail on the west side of Sand Creek and the community parks, trails, and open space within Sterling Ranch.

A detached sidewalk will be provided along the west side of Sterling Ranch Road-The multi-use paved shoulder on Sterling Ranch Road will accommodate bicycles.

## Proposed Access Points

and both sides of Briargate Parkway?
Figure 3 shows the roadway connections that are planned to be constructed in the short term. As shown in Figure 3, in the short term Briargate Parkway is planned to be constructed to its final cross section between Vollmer Road and Sterling Ranch Road, Marksheffel Road is planned to be completed between Vollmer Road and Woodmen Road, and Sterling Ranch Road is planned to be constructed from Marksheffel Road to the northmost access point within the Sterling Ranch East Phase 1 Preliminary Plan area.

Figure 2 shows the access plan for the SRE Phase 1 Preliminary Plan. The access plan for this Preliminary plan is consistent with the access plan shown in the February 10, 2023 LSC Sketch Plan Master TIS.

## Briargate Access Points

The Briargate Parkway-Stapleton Road Corridor Study Appendix D: Access Control Plan shows the access locations and intersection access restrictions along Briargate Parkway between Black Forest Road and Meridian Road. The currently proposed plan has several access points that are not included in the access control plan.

- The access control plan shows a right-in/right-out access point north and south of Briargate Parkway between Wheatland Drive and Sterling Ranch Road. The currently proposed Preliminary Plan shows two offset three-quarter movement (left-in/right-in/right-out only) access points. A deviation request is being submitted with this application for the north-side access. The south-side access is not part of these Sterling Ranch East applications. However, it has been shown in case the school district needs it for access and/or adequate school circulation. The access request would be reviewed at the time of development of the future school.
- The access control plan shows the intersection of Briargate Parkway/Sterling Ranch Road as a three-leg intersection. The currently proposed Preliminary Plan includes a north leg at this future full-movement signal-controlled intersection.


## Briargate Parkway Site Access Points (Intersection \#102-\#103)

The intersection of Boulder City Place/Briargate Parkway and the future K-8 school access to Briargate Parkway are projected to operate at LOS B or better for all movements as three-quarter movement (left-in/right-in/right-out only) stop-sign-controlled intersections, based on the projected short-term and 2042 total traffic volumes.

## SIGNAL WARRANT THRESHOLD ANALYSIS - AM AND PM PEAK HOURS

The intersections of Marksheffel/Vollmer and Marksheffel/Sterling Ranch were analyzed to determine if the thresholds for Four-Hour and/or Eight-Hour Vehicular-Volume Traffic-Signal Warrant thresholds would be reached or exceeded, based on the projected short-term peak-hour traffic volumes only. In order for an Eight-Hour Vehicular Volume Traffic Signal Warrant to be satisfied, the volume threshold would need to be met for six additional hours of the day and in order for a Four-Hour Vehicular Volume Traffic Signal Warrant to be satisfied, the volume threshold would need to be met for two additional hours of the day. For example, the four-hour warrant would be satisfied with the volume thresholds met for one hour in the morning, two hours (instead of the one-hour peak) during the afternoon peak period, and an hour during the mid-afternoon.

This "cursory"/planning-level analysis has been provided at the Preliminary Plan level to identify intersections which may need to be signalized in the short-term future. Detailed analysis of all applicable signal warrants should be evaluated with Filing submitted. The satisfaction of warrants does not indicate that a signal must be installed. The decision to require a signal to be installed rests with the County.

Table 3 shows the results of the analysis for the intersection of Marksheffel/Vollmer and Table 4 shows the results of the analysis for the intersection of Marksheffel/Sterling Ranch. As shown in Tables 3 and 4, the projected short-term morning and afternoon peak-hour traffic volumes at both intersections are projected to meet the thresholds for both Four-Hour and Eight-Hour Vehicular Volume Traffic Signal Warrants. This analysis indicates that traffic signal warrant(s) may be met at both of these intersections prior to buildout of SRE Phase 1 Preliminary Plan. Detailed analysis should be provided with each future filing within the Preliminary Plan. Escrow towards these improvements may also need to be provided with each filing.


Figure 2
LEGEND
Site Plan

4: Vollmer Rd \& Briargate Pkwy



Splits and Phases: 5: Sterling Ranch Rd \& Briargate Pkwy


4: Vollmer Rd \& Briargate Pkwy

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