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Department of Transportation

Region 2 Permits
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El Paso County

Ryan Howser, Project Manager/Planner
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RE: MVEA - Saddlehorn CDR211

Dear John,

I am in receipt of a referral request for comments for Mountain View Electric Association, Inc (MVEA) will be constructing 12.5 kV underground electrical distribution feeder line beginning at the intersection of Stapleton Drive and Curtis Road. The underground installation will be approximately 1.8 miles in length and starts at the Stapleton Drive and Highway 24 intersection. The installation will be open cut in the road ROW parallel to Stapleton Drive until then bore underneath Judge Orr Road. The underground installation will be on private property south of Judge Orr Road. The distribution line will be located in Sections 33 and 34, T12S, R64W and Section 3, T13S, R64W of the 6th P.M., El Paso County Colorado.

CDOT Traffic:

- Traffic Operations has no comments to the installation of the underground electrical distribution line along Stapleton Rd originating at US24.

CDOT Hydraulics:

- No adverse impacts to State drainage facilities are expected.
- Stormwater permit should be pulled, managed, and enforced by El Paso County.

CDOT Environmental:

- No adverse impacts to CDOT Environmental Resources on US 24.
- Contractor to obtain and have CDPS permit while construction is underway.
- Consider boring under the prairie dog communities as this may reduce impacts to Prairie Dogs and impacts to the State of Colorado Threatened Burrowing Owl habitat.
- Have a certified Wildlife Biologist complete the protocol Burrowing Owl Surveys prior to work commencing in your project corridor.
- I copied a link to CPW Survey Protocols for Burrowing Owl Surveys and the time for the surveys as they need to be considered prior to construction. Also, Prairie dog communities are burrowing owl habitat.

<https://cpw.state.co.us/Documents/WildlifeSpecies/LivingWithWildlife/Recommended-Survey-Protocol-Burrowing-Owls.pdf>

- Also, Qualified Wildlife Biologist should verify no impacts to Migratory Birds from open trenching work.



CDOT Access:

- No comments from SDOT Access are required and shall be handled with the development of the Saddlehorn Residential Subdivision.

CDOT Utilities:

- MVEA will need to submit an online application for a utility permit, we will review the request at that time.
- 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 (719) 248-0905 with any questions.

Sincerely,



Arthur Gonzales
CDOT R2 - Access Manager

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