



COLORADO

Department of Transportation

Region 2 - Permits
5615 Wills Blvd.
Pueblo CO 81008

December 22, 2020

I-25A
El Paso County

Kari Parsons, Project Manager, Planner II
El Paso County - Planning and Community Development
2880 International Circle
Colorado Springs, CO 80910

RE: Front Range Midway Solar_AASI202
Traffic Impact Study - CDOT Review
Hydraulic Study - CDOT Review

Dear Kari,

I am in receipt of a request for comments in regard to the above mentioned development. The development is to construct, operate and maintain a 100.2-megawatt photovoltaic solar energy/generation facility. The Development will be located west off of I-25 and use the interchange at Exit 119 and then onto locate roadways of Rancho Colorado Blvd. El Hembra View (a private road) and La Questa Drive in El Paso County, CO. CDOT staff comments are as follows;

- CDOT Access Dept. comments are as follows:
 - A CDOT access permit will be required for the documentation of traffic impacts to the Interchange Exit 119. This development would increase the change in use over the 20% threshold to trigger an updated Access Permit to Exit 119.
 - This permit can be either from El Paso County or the Developer (Front Range Midway Solar, LLC). Please contact CDOT Access Permits Manager to move forward.
- CDOT Traffic Operations Engineer has reviewed the Traffic Impact Study dated 08/10/2020 by Front Range Midway Solar and traffic counts provided by LSC Transportation Consultants, LLC. and their comments are as follows:
 - Access permit required; I calculated 554 PCE's/day at Exit 119.
 - Extension of the study to include traffic impacts to Exit 119 southbound intersection with the ramps is being requested.
- CDOT Hydraulics Engineer has reviewed the Drairage letter dated 08/12/2020 by Core Consultants and their comments are as follows:
 - All impacts are outside CDOT ROW and no impacts are expected. No comments.

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 (719) 248-0905 with any questions.

Sincerely,



Arthur Gonzales
R2 - Access Manager

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