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Gardens at North Carefree, PUDSP-18-004

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

- The 11.56 acre site development with 71 residential lots will be provided water and wastewater services by Cherokee Metropolitan District.
- There is a finding for sufficiency in terms of water quality for Cherokee Metropolitan District Water. Public Water System Identification (PWSID) number CO-0121125 has been assigned to the District by the Colorado Department of Public and Environment.
- The Cherokee Metropolitan District, Harold D. Thompson Regional Water Reclamation Facility, has sufficient wastewater capacity for the proposed development.
- Water Quality detention ponds must be maintained to eliminate stagnant water in an effort to minimize the potential risk of West Nile Virus by reducing mosquito breeding areas.
- 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.
- El Paso County Public Health encourages planned walk-ability of commercial/residential communities. Please consider appropriate connections to any commercial/residential areas to the new school through the use of sidewalks, appropriate lighting and bike trails. Walk-ability features help reduce obesity and associated heart diseases.
- Earthmoving activity in excess of one acre, but less than twenty-five acres, requires a local Construction Activity Permit from El Paso County Public Health. Go to https://www.elpasocountyhealth.org/service/air-quality/construction-activity-application for more information.

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