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Questions or Comments

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I would like to voice a concern about the Indian Meadows Phase II Development Plan and the proposed construction of two additional hotels:

Included in the 2020 Routt County Hazard Mitigation Plan is "... Action SS17 - Construct the Stone Lane Bridge to provide emergency egress and means for evacuation..." See page 19-6 of the Plan.

New Indian Meadows hotels likely increase traffic density on Stone Lane between the proposed Stone Lane Bridge and US Hwy 40. This traffic density could cause delays in evacuating the area of Steamboat Springs south of Walton Creek Road via Stone Lane in the event of an emergency.

When the 2020 Routt County Hazard Mitigation Plan was finalized, the traffic density on Stone Lane adjacent to US Hwy 40 was significantly less than what is currently being discussed, and it seems unlikely that the participants in the RCHMP would have anticipated the Indian Meadows Phase II project. Additional traffic along Stone Lane in the area of the two new hotels could possibly invalidate the analysis / conclusions around Action SS-17 in the 2020 RCHMP.

Questions:

Have the participants in the 2020 Routt County Hazard Mitigation Plan reconvened to review the plans to develop Indian Meadows Phase II and potential impacts on emergency evacuation?

If so, what did the review include? Was a traffic study for an emergency evacuation scenario performed? What criteria were used to establish that the impact on evacuation times is safe and acceptable? What was the outcome?

Very Respectfully Yours,

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