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September 11, 2009

Ms Vicki Fisher
Rapid City Growth Management Department
300 6th Street
Rapid City, SD 57701

**RE: South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks Outdoor Campus West
Major Drainage Easement Vacation Request**

Dear Vicki:

Please find attached an application for a major drainage easement vacation in Lot 2 of NWE Subdivision. The easement vacation request includes the following supporting information for your review:

- Appropriate South Canyon/Lime Creek Drainage Basin Design Plan information
- Copy of a portion of the plat where the easement dedication was made (original plat filed in Plat Book 28, Page 188 at the Pennington County Register of Deeds)

The existing major drainage easement was dedicated at the time of platting for Lots 1 and 2 of NWE Subdivision. Review of the South Canyon/Lime Creek Drainage Basin Design Plan shows that Element 82, which is the native channel extending from Lime Creek to Knutson Lane is adequate to handle design plan flows without any modification. In fact, a portion of the channel that had been altered during construction of Dean Lane will be restored to its natural state with this project.

Additionally, based on conversations with persons familiar with the platting, the easement was dedicated in anticipation of the future development of Lot 2. In fact, the note highlighted on the enclosed portion of the plat stipulates that the easement is "... To be revised upon further development of Lot 2". Now that the State has acquired the property, the easement is no longer needed as the State's goal is to leave the native channel in place.

Please review the enclosed information. If you have questions or comments, please call.

Sincerely,
FERBER ENGINEERING COMPANY, INC.

Dave Muck, PE/LS
Principal

Enclosures: as noted

Cc: Mr. Steve Ellingson, SDGFP
Mr. Donovan Broberg, ARC International

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