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MEMO

TO: Planning Commission
FROM: Brad Solon, Building Official
DATE: November 30, 2005
SUBJECT: Road name change request- Country Road to Country Road West

Doug Pavel, Director of Rapid City E-911, requests that the Planning Commission consider a road name change for a portion of Country Road. Mr. Pavel is requesting that the section of Country Road lying west of Haines Avenue be renamed Country Road West.

The reason for the request is many years ago the Dispatch Staff inadvertently placed the "0" hundred block at Haines Avenue on their maps and the assigned address numbers along Country Road without the "East" designation. Thus, 0-899 is duplicated along the road both east and west of the "0" line.

Staff has recommended that the County correct the addresses to reflect the accurate number range and the "East" designation. The County Planning Staff concurred; however, the Dispatch Center now proposed to rename the road Country Road West.

Staff has no objection to the proposed road name; although there are some concerns with the duplicative nature of the name. Similar existing examples would be West Boulevard North and East Main Street North. Other options include choosing an entirely different road name west of Haines Avenue.

The street name signs along the portion of the road located west of Haines Avenue are currently posted as "Country Road". These street name signs would have to be changed if the road is renamed to Country Road West.

RECOMMENDATION: If Planning Commission feels it is appropriate to rename the road, they should recommend approval of the requested road name change.

