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City of Rapid City
Public Works Committee
300 Sixth Street
Rapid city, SD 57701

Re: Proposal to Help Re-Vegatate Robbinsdale Park (Adjacent to Un-Named Tributary)

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are writing this letter to you, to request your permission to have us, through one of our affiliates, South Creek Village, Limited Partnership, help improve turf and plant growth in a portion of Robbinsdale Park immediately upstream of our South Creek Village project. This request is being presented at the direction of your acting Public Works Director.

We are presently negotiating with the US Army Corp of Engineers (COE) for a Section 404 permit to work in the marginal linear wetlands through our property and immediately adjacent to the proposed East Oakland Street. One of the options presented to the COE for possibly mitigating this work in our and your (East Oakland St.) wetlands is to make certain agreeable improvements to this same linear wetlands as it crosses Robbinsdale Park upstream of our project.

We have met with your Parks Superintendent on site and have outlined an area immediately adjacent to this linear wetlands where improvements could be made to help improve the growth of those plant species often found in this type of wetland. The area proposed presently has very little, to absolutely no turf or plant growth at this time. By improving this area the water quality and wildlife habitat of the wetlands would improve drastically. At present it appears there is dumping of garbage going on in this area, along with bicycle or motorized vehicle traffic. If you agree to our request for us to make these improvements we would request that all wheeled traffic in this area be stopped and that foot traffic be stopped until an acceptable stand of plant and turf is achieved. Your Parks Superintendent indicated that he did not have any problems with what we are proposing as this area of the park would be left in a natural state and would be left un-mowed.

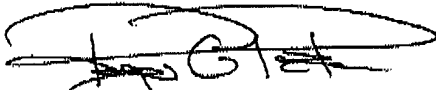
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As we indicated, we are presently working with the COE on this, and will hopefully be working out the details with them in the next few weeks for what type and how much mitigation will be required, if any.

We would request your favorable response to this request, and authorize us to work the actual details out with your acting Public Works Director and Parks Superintendent, in conjunction with COE if the need for mitigation is required.

We look forward to your favorable consideration of this request. Thank You for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Peterson', written over a horizontal line.

Roger G. Peterson
Manager