

*Below are comments that Becky Tillson, Alliance Wildlands & Community Planning Associate, verbally presented at the Dec. 6, 2011, Teton Board of County Commissioners public hearing on the final development plan for the Doshay planned residential development on East Zenith Road.*

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

We appreciate the efforts of staff throughout this application process to respect elk migration and permeability on the site. It is an important corridor and it warrants protection.

I have said this before, but we are still concerned about enforcement of the fencing regulations and conditions of approval for this application. We would be supportive of adding a strengthening measure to condition #8, as this board has been discussing, to ensure that it is upheld.

It seems that as soon as the subdivision is approved, the current agricultural designation on the site will be removed, along with the exemption, and the site should comply with residential fencing regulations.

In addition, I have been up to that site and to the surrounding area and noticed that many of the fences are not wildlife friendly. I am not certain as to which of the lots up there have the agricultural exemption, but looking around that area really highlighted the need for continued enforcement of our fencing regulations.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.