

## Fwd: 550 bypass plan

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Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 5:41 PM MDT

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Got this from CDOT today. Sounds like we don't need to worry now or in the future. Yay!

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Andrew Amend <[andrew@Stolfusandassociates.com](mailto:andrew@Stolfusandassociates.com)>

**Subject: RE: 550 bypass plan**

**Date:** March 12, 2019 at 1:56:46 PM MDT

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Ms. von Helms,

Thank you for letting us know your concerns regarding the US 550 Access Plan. The primary purpose of this plan is to identify where major intersections on US 550 will be located as traffic grows and the highway potentially needs to be widened to four lanes. Our secondary goal was to plan for an off-highway network of public roads that would facilitate access for all properties to these major intersections. These public roads would be implemented over time as properties redevelop from, for example, agricultural use to a residential subdivision.

Our project team appreciates you informing us of the imminent construction of a home on your neighbor's property. We agree that with this development, the planned public road connecting Tulip Circle to Trout Road is not feasible. This road will be removed from the final version of the plan.

Thank you again for making us aware of this issue and I hope that I have addressed your concerns.

Best Regards,

Andrew Amend, PE, PTOE | Transportation Engineer

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-----Original Message-----

From: Holly von Helms <[vonhelmswh@gmail.com](mailto:vonhelmswh@gmail.com)>

Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 2:35 PM

To: Andrew Amend <[andrew@Stolfusandassociates.com](mailto:andrew@Stolfusandassociates.com)>

Subject: 550 bypass plan

Dear Andrew,

When my soon-to-be new neighbors called me last Friday to tell me about the planning meeting on Thursday night regarding Hwy 550 I was in a state of shock. Couldn't believe he was telling me the truth. He then directed me to the County's website for the maps showing the proposed route. It cuts right through our subdivision and follows a line between his lot next door to us and his neighbor's on the other

side.

He is planning to start building next week and wants to know that these plans are completely deleted before he digs the first shovelful. To put a major throughway between two houses in a subdivision, (River's Edge at Southmont) is ludicrous and no consideration would be given to the owners. Beyond that, to take that road to Trout Road would require your going through a vineyard, more agricultural acreage, and another 10 acre homestead. The access from Uncompahgre would cut through our subdivision on Trophy and Tumbleweed Roads, then to Tulip Circle, where some 41 homes currently exist, with three more are in the planning/building process

You simply cannot consider affecting our lifestyles and property values by putting a highway by-pass through our subdivision.

Personally I cannot believe anyone would propose such a route, and, looking at the maps, who's going to give up the direct route on 550 to make turns and circles and add miles to get into Montrose? Not a good plan.

Thanks for listening.

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