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Dear Mr. Kimmett:

Please accept this letter from the Colorado State Forest Service – Durango Field Office as confirmation that I have reviewed the Fire Protection language of the Dolores Canyon Solar project application materials, in accordance with Article IV, §2(D)(3) of the Dolores County Land Use Regulations.

As this project location lies within a pinon-juniper forest type, our discussions centered upon the risks and measures to mitigate the risks within this Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI), which refers to where human construction interacts with the wildland. Please refer to the CSFS publications I provided, including: “Living with Fire” and “Protecting Your Home from Wildfire.”

While the structures proposed to be constructed in this project differ markedly from a typical residential structure, we discussed wildland fire behavior and ways to minimize fire risks to and from this facility in particular.

The section of the Dolores Canyon Solar project application (6.4.3) which describes Fire Protection indicates that Dolores Canyon Solar LLC has consulted with local fire authorities, as well as the CSFS and the local office of the Bureau of Land Management in Dolores. This has yielded a comprehensive and practical wildfire risk mitigation strategy which takes into account access, nearby suppression forces and the need for communication during certain conditions.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mark W. Loveall".

Mark W. Loveall
Supervisory Forester