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Ron Beane
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Dear Mr. Beane:

On December 16, 2018, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) received your letter requesting our acknowledgement that Parker & Stroh LLC, is working with us to complete consultation with us in accordance with the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA), as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). Parker & Stroh LLC is proposing to construct the Parker Pointe commercial development located southeast of the intersection of State Highway 83 and Stroh Road in Douglas County, Colorado. The proposed project may result in impacts to potential habitat for the threatened Preble's meadow jumping mouse (*Zapus hudsonius preblei*).

On October 31, 2018, the Service and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers met with ERO Resources Corp. to discuss the project, its potential impacts, and the likely permitting scenario. We anticipate participating in additional conversations with ERO and Parker & Stroh as the project design is refined and measures to avoid and minimize impacts to the Preble's mouse are developed.

If the Service can be of further assistance, please contact Alison Deans Michael of my staff at alison_michael@fws.gov or (303) 236-4758.

Sincerely,

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