

# Advisory Board on the Environment

## Park County Planning Department

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### Referral Response

**Comment Deadline Date:** July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022 **Submitted Date:** June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022

**Case #:** 22ZON-02 **Case Name:** Birchler Rezoning

**Request:** The applicant is requesting to rezone 51 acres from Mining to Residential.

**Legal Description:** Parts of Sections 29, 30, and 31 south of C.R. 14, T9S R77W.

**Date of Planning Commission Hearing:** Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Date of BOCC Hearing:** To be determined.

We have reviewed this referral and find no conflicts with our interests.

A formal recommendation is under consideration and will be submitted to you prior to \_\_\_\_\_.

Please refer to the enclosed letter.

We offer the following comments regarding this referral:

Although ABE does not find any environmental or wildlife issues that conflict with our interests, ABE believes it is appropriate to note that Park County has created a process for residential development to take place on property in the mining zone district. The Conditional Use Permit process allows an applicant to build on a property zoned mining and the applicant recognizes that mining can take place on the property or adjacent properties. ABE strongly recommends that the County grant a CUP to the applicant and to not rezone the property.

Signed: John Reiber

Date: 6/28/22

Title: Chairman