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Huerfano County Electric Question

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Keith Rivera From Jar Electric has just completed installation of power receptacles on a pedestal that San Isabel Power recently installed for us on our property in Tres Valles West (just north of La Veta). Unfortunately, we have only now come to learn that the procedure currently in effect through the Huerfano County Building Department requires an active building permit prior to releasing an inspection on completion of new electrical service (as relayed and then confirmed by both Sherry and Ryan at the County Building Department).

We do not have a building permit on our land (Lot 10 in Tres Valles West) as we are not quite ready to begin our home build but had hoped to install electrical service in order to stay a few nights on the property in our camper to try and determine the exact location we hope to build the house coming up in the next couple of years. It has been alluded to by other owners in Tres Valles that finding a builder has been a difficult/slow part of the new construction process and that even once a builder is committed, the process can still often take well more than a year.

In the interest of planning far enough ahead, we began working with San Isabel Power last May (2023) in hopes of spending a few days (short term camping well within the TVW POA guidelines which are notably more stringent than Huerfano County rules) on the property this summer but are, again, only now learning that this is outside of the normal county procedures in terms of having the inspection of the electrical service completed in order to begin our service with San Isabel Power.

We wish to request a variance from the normal procedure that would allow us to begin our electrical service on Lot 10 so we may camp (again, only short term camping within both Huerfano County and Tres Valles West guidelines) on Lot 10 in Tres Valles West. It is our intention to follow all County and POA guidelines and procedures, especially in terms of the duration of our camping and the disposal of all waste during any camping we may do both prior to and after our build.

As an aside, we have already reached out to both Blakely and Noordik construction firms in La Veta regarding the beginning of the process to build our new home. We look forward to becoming part of the community for many years to come and hope that Huerfano County might consider granting this variance to help us be sure we plan our home as best as we possibly can. We also hope that if there are any clarifications we may offer, that you will feel free to reach out with whatever questions you might have.

Thanks,

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