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Kelly Bacon
Kittitas County Community Development Services
411 N Ruby St., Suite 2
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Subject: Project File Number CU-23-00001 3 BR Custom Cuts

Dear Ms. Bacon,

I am writing again to voice my concern over the proposed commercial slaughterhouse, located in the residential area off Wilson Creek Road. The latest revision indicates that it is now a 10,000 square foot building. Obviously, this has changed from the "Mom and Pop" small business to a large commercial operation. How can the current zoning authorize this change? How is this getting pushed through the system?

It is my understanding that the conditional use permit can only be granted if there is absolutely no impact on the neighbors, environment, and the greater community. My family has already been impacted. We lost a sale of a home, in this neighborhood, because of the proposed slaughterhouse. And, it hasn't even been built yet! No one has had to endure the smell, noise, traffic issues, and other environmental impacts associated with this type of business.

This proposal is causing incredible stress upon our neighborhood. It's especially difficult to see the strain, on our older neighbor's mental health. They're seeing their quiet and peaceful neighborhood being destroyed. In addition, their most important investment, their homes, losing value. This is their future – many are depending on it for their retirement. How can we let such a destructive operation come to fruition?

Please do everything to stop this operation in this area. I'm sure there is plenty of space, elsewhere, in the valley that is better suited for everyone. Encourage them to work with the other proposed slaughterhouses and come up with a beneficial solution for our entire valley.

Sincerely,



Deborah Whitman