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Hi Jamey,

Please include this email in the public comments for the above. Thank You.

RE: Opposition to Fowler Creek RV Park (CU-23-00003)

There are many reasons to oppose this 84 acre development, starting with:

- the availability of water. If the development cannot provide its own water, why should there be any allowance whatsoever for the drilling of a well in a nearby green area (not owned by the applicant), and then piping it to the applicants development? Applicant has already tried to pipe water to this development from another location and was denied. Why would the applicant be able to do this when another resident tried and was denied? How can the applicant circumvent this, is it because he has a self serving position on the planning committee with the county? This very much is a conflict of interest. Has the Department of Ecology weighed in on this? Our area already has an anemic water table, yet Kittitas county continues to grant approvals for wells- how can this even be allowed? This will cause extreme detriment to an area where several homeowners in the immediate area have already had to redrill due to their wells going dry. If applicant does not have sufficient water at the said development, why should he be able to take water from a neighboring property? Why should the rest of us suffer as our water table decreases even more?

-How can this development, which has its own wetlands and is right next to more wetlands, be granted without an Environmental Impact Statement? There should absolutely be no waiver granted in regards to this. Protection is needed for our wetlands and an Environmental impact Statement should absolutely be required. Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife needs to be involved with the decisions of Kittitas County, this is of utmost importance.

-How can this development occur within a designated Rural Residential R-5 Zone? This development is a short term rental cluster and campground in which the risk of wildfire will increase with frequent campers and visitors. We stand on the side of John Sinclair, District 7 Fire Chief, who has gone on record against this as well. As full time residents, we are well aware of the fire danger. People coming to camp and stay short time don't get it, do not have a vested interest , and are typically more careless.

-Additionally, This development will have a negative impact on traffic and noise. Westside Road already bears the brunt of bypass traffic from the freeway and has caused residents to not leave their homes on many weekends, due to the traffic jam on Westside Road. Adding more traffic to Westside road will only increase the chances of an emergency vehicle not being able to get to an emergency situation as needed. If allowed, this development will greatly damage our current rural character.

Sincerely,

The Bradshaws