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We are writing to express our concerns for the "The Outpost" project as described in CU-23-00002.

We purchased land and built a home in this area to enjoy the peace, character and safety offered by the community. And as full-time residents, we have enjoyed these qualities even with the addition of new homes in the surrounding neighborhoods.

After reviewing the many documents associated with "The Outpost", we feel very strongly that the development would permanently damage the peace, health, safety and overall quality of life for the members of the surrounding neighborhoods. Furthermore, we don't believe there are any set of "conditions" that could prevent the community disruption while remaining consistent with the narrative of this project.

When we consider the narrative of:

- 30 short-term rental camping cabins with a 3000 sqft event center,
- supporting 30-60 (90?) campers (adults, teens, children, dogs, etc.),
- for year-round recreation (camping, ATV/motorcycles/snowmobiles, weddings, reunions, partying, drinking, etc.),

We feel that no amount of "Regulations" or "Signs" could overcome the normal human nature to be "very noisy" and "disruptive" to the surrounding neighborhoods!

Our home is within earshot of noise from the proposed development site, and we can hear the normal but infrequent sounds of a barking dog, chainsaw, children playing, a motorcycle/snowmobile - and the occasional/seasonal party in our neighborhoods. However, the level of noise/disruption resulting from 30 rental sites that are "purpose-built" for year-round "recreation" would be "significantly greater" than the normal noise from the surrounding single family homes. And, that additional noise/disruption would be more "continuous" than the normal infrequent noise from single-family homes.

This development is not desirable for our community, nor is it essential for our community; there are many options for visiting campers in our local area including: Suncadia lodge, hotels, motels, AirBnB's, RV sites, as well as federal, state, and private campgrounds. We have found no problems in using several of these options over the years for our own visiting family and friends.

We appreciate the effort by the various Kittitas County organizations to help the developer comply with other codes and requirements on this project, however, we ask that the county recognize the incompatibility of this project with our surrounding neighborhoods, and not grant the conditional use application.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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