

TO: Kittitas County Community Development
411 N. Ruby St Ste 2
Ellensburg, WA 98926

RE: Proposed "Agricultural Processing Facility"
(CU-23-00001)

ATTN: Kelly Bacon

Hello, I've been reading about the planned beef slaughter facility on Wilson Creek Rd. I drove past the sight today and I have some serious questions about this location. My husband and I have worked in the meat industry for many years dating back to the Schaaque and Superior Packing days.

It's my understanding that they will be slaughtering approximately 200 head of cattle a day. First, I would think that the land owners that are adjacent to the property would be losing value to their homes and land. Having a facility of this size would surely have an adverse effect. There would also be a need to have a feedlot for the cattle. Would this affect the water wells in the area?

Has the proposed company done a study to see how many trucks will be inbound and outbound from the location on Wilson Creek Rd? In the day, Schaaque was killing approximately 500 head daily, So there would be quite a few semi trucks coming and going. Slaughtering 200 head daily is far more than what could be sold locally. Who is their target customer?

Also, what hours are they going to be open? There would certainly be a lot of noise from the trucks and the facility itself. Again, this would have an adverse effect on all the home owners nearby.

Concluding, there is a lot of open land in the county that would fit a facility of this type better than the location on Wilson Creek Rd.

Thank You
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