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## Fwd: [MPC Comment] Photos of proposed cell site

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To: Jo Ella Washburn <joella.washburn@knoxmpc.org>

Wed, Aug 12, 2015 at 2:32 PM

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From: <bridgetcwallier@gmail.com>  
Date: Wed, Aug 12, 2015 at 1:45 PM  
Subject: [MPC Comment] Photos of proposed cell site  
To: "commission@knoxmpc.org" <commission@knoxmpc.org>

Scott,

Thank you for your interest in learning more about the location that Branch Towers is seeking use-on-review approval to build a cell tower at 2119 Ridgecrest Drive. After exhausting any possibility of co-locating on an existing tower and a thorough review of other possible sites in the targeted service area, Branch Towers determined that the 2119 Ridgecrest Drive location was the most ideal site to meet the coverage needs of T-Mobile and other carriers.

Attached you will find 4 photos that I took last night of the proposed site, as well as a pdf of an aerial of the site from Courthouse Retrieval System. (I took the first photo from the property owner's backyard southeast of the proposed tower site. The next photo I took from Ridgecrest on the street southwest of the site. The next two photos are from Martha Berry, above the site.) As you will see, the site is large, covering nearly 6 acres of land that would provide excellent buffering for the tower. I think you can also see from the photos that the perimeter of the area is lined with tall trees that range in height from 70 to 100 feet, according to measurements that were done just last month.

Scott, you asked specifically about the possibility of locating at a commercial site, perhaps on Broadway. Unfortunately, there really wasn't a commercial location that would reach the targeted service area. Even the seven alternative locations that the neighbors suggested were all located in some type of residential zone. There's definite a need for cellular service in residential zones. That's evidenced by the fact that there are already about 60 towers in the city of Knoxville that are located within 500 feet of a residential zone.

If you'd like to see the site yourself, the property owner said she would be more than happy to have you visit. I'd definitely advise you to wear hiking boots and jeans if you want to make the hike

through the woods to the actual site for the proposed tower. If you or any of the other commissioners are interested or if you have other questions, just let me know.

Thanks Scott.

Bridget

Bridget Correll Waller

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**5 attachments**



**2119 Ridgecrest photo taken southeast of site.JPG**  
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**Ridgecrest southwest of site.JPG**  
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**Martha Berry view of site.JPG**  
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**Martha Berry 2 view of site.JPG**  
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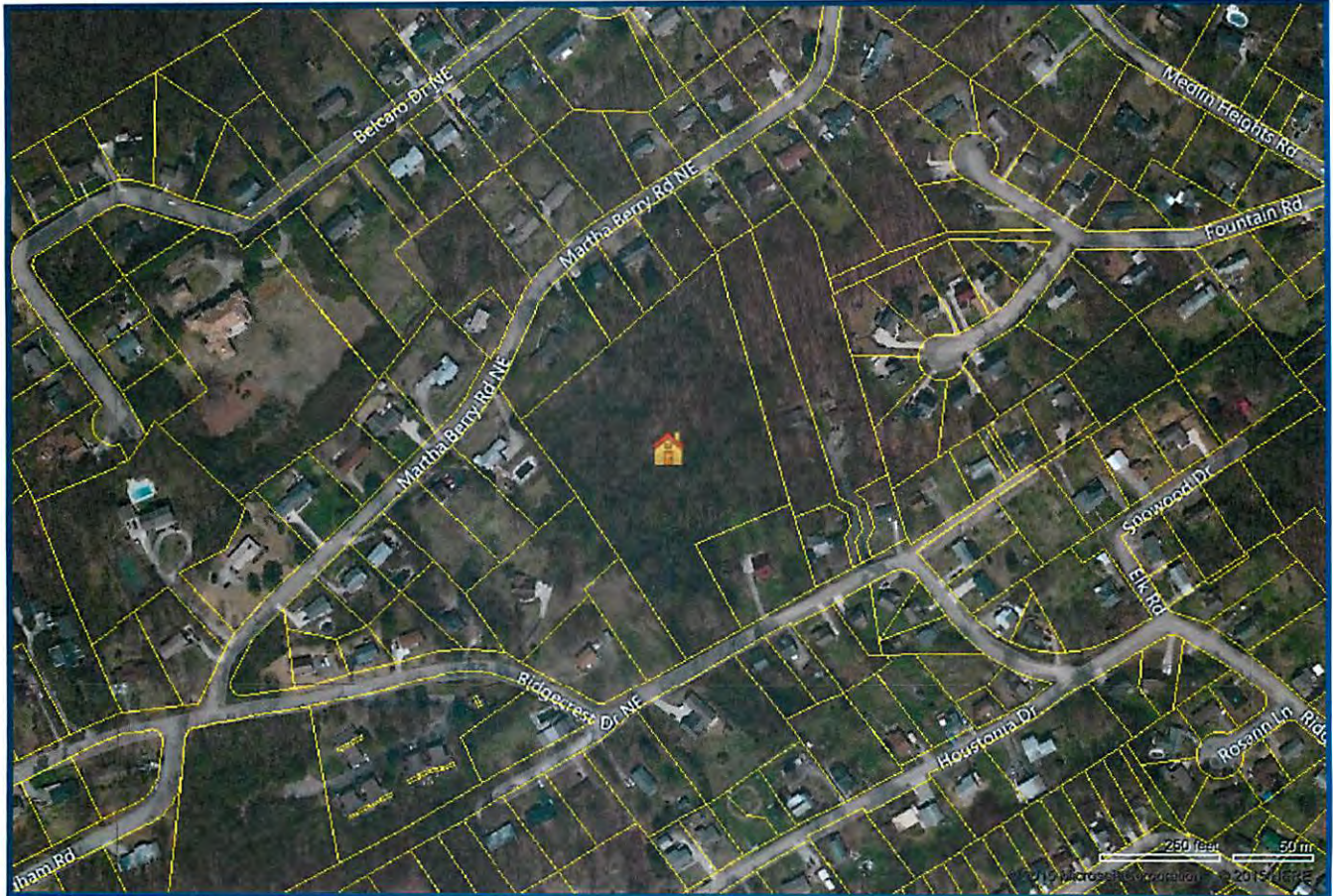
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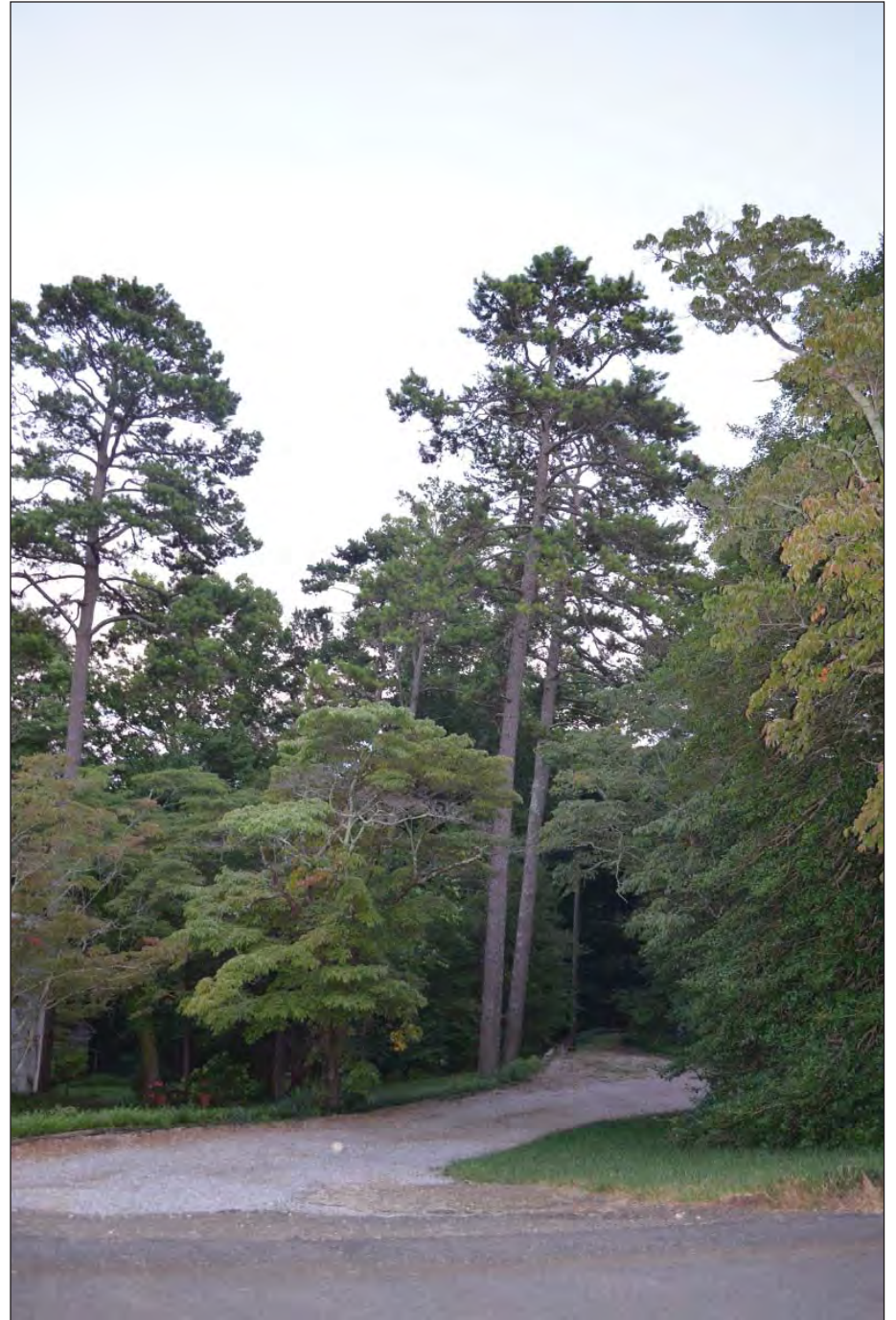
Ridgecrest southwest of site



2119 Ridgecrest photo taken southeast of site



Martha Berry view of site



Martha Berry 2 view of site