

Hello, I am reaching out to oppose the development build of 482 Homes on 171.88 Acres in Strawberry Plains, TN. My family and I have transitioned our lives to Strawberry Plains from the Powell area in the past two years. Within that time frame, I moved out and bought my own home on N Ruggles Ferry Pike. This is where the build of this large subdivision is planning to take place. We specifically moved our lives to this area of Knox County to be out of the busy traffic and suburb life.

Strawberry Plains is a beautiful region with lands and country side. The quietness is what we longed for. If a subdivision this large is built less than a mile from my home and my parents home, it will change why we moved to this side of town. It will take away the lesser traffic and countryside of the fields that this company plans to take over. Traffic on Ruggles Ferry will increase the amount of cars by at least 1,000 vehicles. It will also direct that amount of vehicles to and from Asheville Highway causing the potential to need more traffic lights at the intersections, and more car accident rates. This will then increase the amount of traffic on a busy highway that is how we access these backroads.

A build of almost 500 houses beside my home will cause impact on the local crime and theft rates. We lived in a subdivision for 13+ years before moving out. During those years crime and theft increased drastically with home invasions and car break ins. I strongly disagree with this build. If it were less homes I would not be opposed, because nice housing is needed in this region. However, 500 homes is an excessive amount for this side of town, schools, and traffic. This will greatly impact the residents of the Carter School and Ruggles Ferry Community.