

During the process of new buildings being added to the street Thorngrove Pike. The community surrounding it including myself have several concerns about the future project. These concerns include; added traffic in a compact area, safety concerns, concerns about property surrounding the area, and the altering of a historical community in a more rural area.

1. Thorngrove Pike is a narrow road with problems already regarding maintenance. With the added amount of traffic and the lack of road sustainability, if the new project that has been presented to the neighborhood moves forward there is more of a sustainability issue regarding the roads with added trips. For an example should there be 50 homes added, with a basic family of two working adults that is an added 200 trips per day. The next point would be that the road seems to not be designed to have an influx of additional trips. An example of this would be the number of curves, the narrow space on the road, not many visible painted lines for guidance, and very few street lamps for visibility. In addition to the current issues regarding the road there has also been a history of 18-wheelers traveling along this road which then makes the road even more narrow.
2. Safety should always be an issue that is closely looked at. With the additional housing presented, odds are there will be an increase of students in the area. However, where the entrance is currently there is a blind hill close to the entrance next to Interstate Tire. There have been many instances where the blind hill has caused issues, our residence has had to replace many mailboxes over the years because of cars having to swerve off the road, or ride close to the edge to dodge impacts. Keep in mind school buses travel along this road daily throughout the week, there should be an immense safety concern regarding the pick-up area for the proposed neighborhood. By living in the area for so long you get to see the history of wrecks, swerving motion of vehicles, and at times seeing cars having to ride so close to the edge in addition to the points made in paragraph one about the roads. Where the entrance location is to the proposed neighborhood there seems to be a massive hazard.
3. We the community, believe that the land that has been chosen for project should have hydrology report done. In the area there are natural springs and water also settles on top of the land, especially to the end of Thorngrove Pike and all the property below the plot of land. An example of this would be my land in particular, it has caused septic issues that we have had to stay on top of. We buried a dog less than 18 inches deep and there was a stream of water. There is a water problem which based on our observation that cannot be denied. The outside border of the property was cleared and the contractor agreed, there was a lot of water in the area.
4. The place they have decided to put forth their project a historically rural community, that to our observation has never been designed what is it being asked. Also, some neighbors around the area did not even get notified about the project that has been put forth. There is also confusion about the New Knox Co Plan, it recommends 2/acre(s). In our opinion, this is even

too much... There are other areas nearby that would work better not only for the project but for the neighborhood and the family owner.

In conclusion, we vote for our political seats and I am certain they put the citizens first. The concerns above are legitimate and need to be addressed. A lot of these citizens either do not have internet access or do not have email. The location chosen for the project is in an area of long generations. People want to speak about the subject and bring forth their concerns. Being from Ohio, I am thankful there are areas that still have the hometown touch. It is with great sadness to so many, that this project has even been presented.