

Hello,

My name is Gretchen Long. I live at 7425 Mountie Lane.

I have looked at the proposed plans, and I have some concerns.

There is a culvert between us and our neighbor. Behind our neighbor's house, there is a dry creekbed in the woods. When we have significant rain, some of the runoff water from the woods goes into that creekbed and then runs between our houses into the culvert. This water moves very swiftly and can be fairly deep. Sometimes, the water gets deep enough to flood our neighbor's backyard. Once the water level goes down, there are large puddles that remain between our houses.

Our children play together, and must walk through this water in order to play.

Based on the plans, it appears that the runoff water is going to be routed into a retaining pond, and then any overflow will be directed through this dry creekbed and pushed through to our culvert. I already have concerns about the sanitation of the water that stands in our yards. I have a greater concern if this water is going to be runoff from houses and roads. Instead of just from the woods.

In the concept that was given to us in person, there appears to be an empty lot beside of our house, where the overflow from the proposed retaining pond will flow. This is not an empty lot. It is our neighbor's yard. There is a house and a shed on that property that is not represented on this concept drawing. There are 9 houses between where the new road will be coming in and our house. According to this map, there are only 8 houses.

In regards to the retaining pond itself, will there be a fence around it? We have 4 small children who love to play outside. This retaining pond will be a few hundred yards away from our house.

Also, since this will be runoff water into a still pond, and not a continuously flowing water, will there be anything to prevent smell and mosquito growth from the water?

The man we spoke to mentioned that the plan was to hopefully ease the amount of water that flows to our culvert. What would that plan be? He also mentioned a possible easement. What would that entail?

I am emailing this to eastwoodestates2@gmail.com, as well as putting it as a comment on the Knox Planning website.

Thank you for your time,  
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