

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my concerns regarding the proposed development of a new neighborhood on Hill road. This road is not suitable for increased traffic and population density due to the following reasons:

**Traffic Safety Concerns** – The road currently has only one stop sign and is not designed to handle the increased traffic that a neighborhood would bring. The addition of numerous residents, along with service and delivery vehicles, could create dangerous conditions, especially during peak hours.

**Existing Traffic from the Church** – Hill road already supports a large church, Salem Baptist, which generates significant traffic, particularly on weekends and during events. Adding a residential development would exacerbate congestion and pose further risks to pedestrians and drivers. In addition to this traffic the morning traffic with Halls Elementary could NOT handle this influx of vehicles. My morning commute to Halls Elementary should take 5 minutes and due to the recent additions on Mccloud it take at the minimum 15-20 to get through, and that is on a good day. The intersection at Hill and Andersonville is not made to handle this kind of traffic.

**Infrastructure Limitations** – The road does NOT have the necessary width, lighting, or safety features to support a larger population. Without significant upgrades—at a cost to taxpayers—this development could lead to hazardous driving conditions. When attempting to exit our neighborhood on Hill road we are faced with difficulties, and this will substantially increase due to an additional neighborhood.

**Emergency Response Delays** – Increased congestion and a lack of adequate traffic control measures could delay emergency response times for ambulances, fire trucks, and law enforcement. This could have serious consequences for both current and future residents.

**Preservation of Rural/Community Character** – Many residents in the area value the current rural or low-density residential setting. A new neighborhood could disrupt the character of the community and reduce the quality of life for existing homeowners. We moved to Halls to get away from the booming towns like Powell/Karns. To add this addition to our suburban/rural community would be a disgrace to our community.

Our neighborhood backs up directly to this proposed new addition and we are blessed with a beautiful neighborhood with a wooded scenery. This proposed neighborhood is home to wildlife in our community.

For these reasons, I respectfully urge you to reconsider the approval of this development. I, along with many concerned residents, would appreciate an opportunity to discuss alternative solutions that prioritize safety and responsible growth.

Sincerely,

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