

My name is Robert Melton, owner of *B&R Farm*, a **UDSA** farm, next door to the proposed development. I own the property at the left side of the property at the corner of McKamey Rd. where the current owners of the proposed development are wanting to put a larger driveway into this property. I am **STRONGLY OPPOSED** to any rezoning, hillside development or building duplexes on the property. Allowing this to proceed will result in many problems for me and our neighborhood.

The previous owner of many years assured me upon selling the property that no additional development would happen due to zoning regulations and I had nothing to worry about if sold. The present owner who bought it at auction, said they were going to build one house. They have lied and have continued to lie to me. We have a quiet neighborhood and the addition of eight more residences on this property will add to the dangerous traffic conditions that already exist on McKamey Rd. It will create a large amount of noise that will destroy the continuity of our neighborhood of single-family homes and surely decrease my property value.

The owners approached me for an easement to increase the driveway width, and I have refused to sign an easement. I don't know if they have found a way around this request, but I feel sure they are trying. There is a beautiful creek with native fish and small waterfalls that cross under the current driveway and in front my property. I have spent thousands of dollars working with the *Knox Soil Conservation District* office on structures that work to prevent the run off into the creek. The proposed construction would be detrimental to the creek and in my opinion, turn it into a polluted runoff ditch instead of the clean, beautiful creek it now is. Their proposed creek protection apparatus is bogus and unwanted.

The asphalt created by this proposed development would create huge amount of runoff that will damage the creek. It will also add to the volume of water which will cause the creek to flood more than it presently does downstream. Where the creek crosses under the road at Solar Dr., it already floods the road during hard rains. I have seen the water across the road so deep traffic must be diverted or stopped. The development will cause the flooding to increase.

Additionally, there is a mature hardwood forest of Oaks and other trees on the property that will obviously have to be cut for this development. We have wildlife in our nice neighborhood, and the destruction of this forest will surely impact the wildlife as well as destroy what little woodland we have.

This proposed development will:

Destroy the surrounding natural environment

Create even more road flooding which will enhance the traffic situation in this already dangerous area

Create excessive noise from construction and just its presence and is out of character of our quiet single family neighborhood

It will destroy the peace and quiet of our neighborhood, conflict with my farming operation and possibly encroach on my property.

I have invested my entire retirement and life in my property and do not want everything destroyed by one profiteer. I **STAND EXTREMELY OPPOSED TO THIS DEVELOPMENT.**

Sincerely,

Robert Melton