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We moved into this area to seek a quiet, more rural area to live in.

Since moving here 11 years ago, this area's population & housing has grown substantially. That's something we cannot control and we live with, but, we do not need a Dollar General being built in Juniper Canyon.

We already face many issues with the increased traffic up and down the canyon and putting a business like this in that location will only increase traffic (probably) ten-fold due to residents within Prineville city limits driving up here to go to that store! Not only the traffic up and down the canyon will be more of a problem, but the traffic at the location will cause much more congestion issues with people entering/exiting the property.

As most people know up here, Juniper Canyon RD can be a treacherous road to travel in Winter and many people drive way too fast while navigating it, which has (a number of times) resulted in cars off the road, in the ditches, rolled or on their tops. Putting a store up here and increasing that traffic will only cause more congestion and accidents.

AND, we already know that, as residents above the canyon, we have an ongoing issue with exiting the canyon if there were a wildfire. That issue has NEVER been solved and only lightly addressed. Why do we want MORE traffic up here?

We have a small store up here already (Juniper Pantry) that we can go to for small items we may need without having to drive all the way down to Prineville. Putting a Dollar General up here would (more than likely) put them out of business.

In reading the proposal for this store, it is stated that it would supply needs for hikers, skiers, etc....there are many opportunities in Prineville proper for stopping and buying groceries. Campers, hikers, etc can stop there before leaving town. They don't need to duck into a Dollar General at the top of the hill!

Also, Dollar General stores have had many legal issues against them in recent years, due to misleading pricing. Do we need that here?

Thank you,  
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