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Hello,

My name is Rob Carter, owner of Lot 14 of Cimarron Hills, property address 6404 SE Riverdance rd, Prineville OR 97754, located next to Lot 15. We purchased this home over 2.5 years ago to enjoy quiet country living. I currently live and work from home.

I'm writing today to absolutely disagree with the application to expand the Greenbar Excavation rock pit. Our neighborhood CC&Rs clearly state the property should not be used for activities that disturb the neighborhood.

Cimarron Hills Phase 2 CC&Rs

Section 1 states: No lot shall be used except for single family residential purposes.

Section 8 states: No obnoxious, noxious or offensive activities shall be carried on upon any lot, nor shall anything be done thereon which may reasonably become an annoyance or nuisance to other property owners in the subdivision.

Section 13 states: No part of the property shall be used for the purpose of exploring for, taking thereof or producing therefrom gas, oil or other hydrocarbon substances.

Section 20 states: It is the intent of these covenants to preserve the natural vegetation of Cimarron Hills estates phase II.

Section 22 states: No part of any lot shall be used in a manner that materially or adversely affects the value of the adjoining or adjacent

lots for residential purposes or the neighborhood wherein the lots are situated.

Section 24 states: The foregoing protective covenants, conditions, and restrictions shall run with the land and be binding on all the parties.

Section 26 states: The lot owners or any mortgagee on any lot shall have the right to enforce all of the CC&Rs.

We have dealt with loud explosions, noise and excessive dust at the current rock pit. We were led to believe it was near the end of its rock crushing life, and happy to see an end to the noise, dust and explosions near our home. We have families in this neighborhood. I dont think a rock crushing expansion is what we need.

We are extremely concerned about the possibility of contamination of our fresh water supply and our wells. Due to the current issues of contaminated wells in Prineville, possibly due to Knife River rock pit, we would expect this application to be dismissed immediately. Our water is way more important than expanding a rock pit. Please do your due diligence and reject this proposal.

<https://www.opb.org/article/2023/06/13/oreogn-water-pollution-knife-river-corporation-crook-county/>

https://co.crook.or.us/sites/default/files/fileattachments/planning_commission/meeting/packets/13779/knife_river_-_exhibit_69_-_newton.pdf

<https://www.merkley.senate.gov/crook-county-residents-fear-mining-company-polluted-their-water-heres-how-oregon-investigated/>

I will be contacting Senator Jeff Merkley's office and Oregon Public Broadcasting due to the related content above.

Property values would most likely decline. I purchased this property over two years ago, looking for a nice place to enjoy a quiet retirement. A rock pit next door would be a nuisance and eye sore.

Rocks are plentiful in central Oregon, please find another place for this rock pit. Rock pits don't belong in neighborhoods.

If the above is not reason enough to reject this application, would you please delay a decision until the Cimarron Hills neighborhood has more time to discuss and create a homeowners association to preserve our rights? Our neighborhood will be signing a letter of protest to this application and will be at the public hearing scheduled July 24th 2024.

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