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Date: Wed, 12 Oct 2016 08:40:46 -0400 [08:40:46 AM EDT]**From:** David Ringheiser <dringheiser@me.com>**To:** boardofhealth@carlisle.mec.edu, zba@carlisle.mec.edu**Subject:** Concerns over the Birches Development

Dear Carlisle Boards,

I am the owner of 68 Garnet Rock Lane which abuts the proposed ?Birches? 40B development project.

I am writing to express how deeply concerned I am about the eventual impact on my water supply from this project.

If the water supply is sufficiently tainted my property will be worthless. It is my only substantial investment and thus I have everything to loose.

As far as I am aware no party has suggested an insurance policy or even claimed responsibility for the outcome of this. My interpretation is that if the developer gets the permit he is good to go. Its on the government agencies, to insure that the conditions are in place to guarante safety..

At the 9/19/16 hearing NGI presented results of their analysis that suggested nitrate levels of ~3.5m/l. I asked at the meeting what the uncertainty was. The spokesman explained that it was a ?worse case? value.

Then at the 10/4/16 meeting Nobis engineering, and independent company with no stake in the development, reported that levels on my property could be on the order of 14-17mg/l. And this report was based on state average precipitation during a normal year?. not real life conditions such as we are experiencing now. This is 5 times the levels that NGI claimed were ? worst case?. Why would NGI be willing to make such a statement on worst case impact ?

NGI initially praised the assumptions for flow direction at the meeting. But by the end of the meeting NGI requested a private meeting with Nobis to discuss. My impression was that the motivation for this private meeting was to attempt to reach an agreement for better numbers. A short meeting without additional testing and studies isn?t about science.

Let me say that as an observer who has my entire life?s investment tied to the **outcome** of this, the property cant be built safely without testing along the way. And it is very possible that during testing, it may be a no-go.

It would be dangerous policy to permit the developer to build this project with no testing. At this point its on the table that there a good chance this project will destroy my property if it goes forward, and the developer isn?t acting as if he has a stake in that outcome.

Sincerely
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