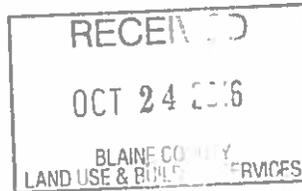


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RE: Camp Rainbow CUP Application

Dear Planning & Zoning Staff and Commissioners,

I am writing to express my concerns as a Blaine County Taxpayer for 16 years over this application. It is my understanding that some of the key guiding principles of The Blaine County Comprehensive Plan are to protect the county's financial capability to provide services and to preserve the historic character of rural and open-space environments. This camp is being located in an area zoned Rural Residential 40. As a homeowner we bought in a rural area to preserve that quality of life. We looked at the zoning and knew that the laws were in place to protect the rural nature we desired. Now we have an organization that wants to forever change that rural character of the gateway to The Pioneers by establishing a camp that will put over 200 people on a daily basis into an area that was really zoned for 1 single family dwelling per 40 acres. The camp might own over 200 acres but the building envelope contains maybe 60 buildable acres. It appears this does not fit as a harmonious addition to the comprehensive plan.

CRG may be able to build structures that are appropriate for a rural area BUT the camp itself will change the essential character of the general vicinity and will be extremely disturbing to the existing or future neighboring properties.

I have attended all of the meetings put on by CRG and I know they are trying to address the many concerns of East Fork residents but once a permit would be issued there is no control over whether they bussed children into the property, or used it year round or accounted for the increased traffic by the daily service providers. East Fork Road is a rural road, narrow with no shoulders and becomes a dirt road just past Triumph. It cannot withstand the type of use proposed by CRG and its upkeep becomes a County obligation. CRG has done a traffic study and I hope that the county will do their own and not accept what is being presented by them by CRG to make their case. This camp will put service providers and volunteers on the road all day long, not just during commute times. The concerns I have are not about creating a traffic jam or a delay in getting to work but the constant line of traffic for construction and then supporting



the camp on a daily basis. This will be creating in essence a thoroughfare along East Fork Road that will be disturbing to the rural environment we have chosen to live in.

Water is a huge issue in this valley and they are proposing to build adjacent to a wetlands area. I can't imagine a septic system that will be large enough to accommodate this project and the idea of a sewer treatment plant this close to the wilderness is unimaginable.

One of the biggest concerns I have is the destruction of the natural habitat of this rural part of the county.

There are so many other locations in our valley that could accommodate this project but East Fork should not be the place. Blaine county residents should not have to foot the bill for this project.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Jan Main