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Dear Commissioners:

Please enter the following comments into the official record regarding the proposed Quigley Ranch 24-Lot Subdivision. I am reincorporating herein my comments to you dated November 22, 2022 on this subject. ***New comments are noted in italics. In October, 2022, this subdivision request was unanimously denied by the Blaine County P&Z Commission and the citizens are again asked to comment on this ill-fated application.***

Paving of Quigley Road: Paving the current dirt road (which has been used for decades) would increase traffic, increase speeding, and decrease any sense of safety and much-needed enjoyment derived from taking a walk along the road, not to mention the hazards that come with these issues. ***Speeders will undoubtedly take advantage of the lack of policing in this area, further contributing to the hazards to wildlife, pets and people. The traffic impacts for east Hailey will be dramatically increased. The high school (speeding) traffic is currently untenable and it will be virtually impossible to take a walk out Quigley during the lunch hour. We should not be held hostage by the greed of the developers.***

Wildlife: Wildlife habitat will be detrimentally impacted if the applicant is allowed to re-direct the road for the purpose of increasing buildable lots in the hillside area. These hillsides provide a crucial winter range for the deer and elk and the valley floor is an important migration route between the higher elevations in summer to the lower elevations in winter. It's time someone stood up for the wildlife. Elk have already been driven into the east Hailey neighborhoods and this will only increase if more of their habitat is unnecessarily destroyed. ***The impact of deer and elk in East Hailey has increased exponentially this winter. They are frequently on the road (especially at night), in our yards and have decimated our trees and other vegetation. The stench from their droppings is palpable. I have personally witnessed errant dogs chasing the elk on several occasions. These animals do not deserve to be impacted further by this proposed development modification. They are just trying to survive.***

Please deny this ill-fated request by the Applicant.

Respectfully submitted,

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