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Proposed Development Near Inspiration Point



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Dear Planning Commission Members:

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We are writing to express our concern regarding a proposed development just north of Inspiration Point and south of the West-Bouvy Historical Registry log house. We are homeowners at 1879 Pacific Street for the past 28 years.

We have two main concerns: The first is a safety issue with constructing a new street and bridge that will intersect Hemlock Street at one of the S curves. Vehicles entering Hemlock from the new Nenana Ave. will have very little roadway to see oncoming vehicles on Hemlock. Also, a vehicle going north on Hemlock and stopping for vehicles going south and wanting to make a left turn onto Nenana could cause accidents with north-bound vehicles not having sufficient time to stop as they come around the curve. Adding this intersection at that point on Hemlock will be a traffic hazard.

The second concern is that the construction of the street, the removal of 20 mature trees, and the new housing development will have a negative impact on Inspiration Point. It is our understanding that this pristine wilderness area is one of the few, if not the only, pieces of wilderness property in Cannon Beach. It will impact the beauty of the area.

Thank you for taking our concerns under consideration,

Gerald and Maureen Ritter