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City of Laramie Planning Office  
c/o Matthew Cox

Dear Ginger Brown, Coffey Engineering and all those in favor of the development on the southwest corner of Ventura Drive and Colorado Avenue in West Laramie,

We are writing to express our disapproval of the unreasonable development plans of the southwest corner of Ventura Drive and Colorado Avenue in West Laramie.

West Laramie has long been known as a place of solace and quiet for young and old alike. West Laramie has been a refuge for those looking to get away from the chaos of the university and the hustle and bustle of downtown. It holds the last bit of Wyoming legacy with residents able to enjoy space, peace, livestock and an easy way of country living without having to worry about traffic, wild and drunk crowds, increased crime and vandalism rates, human density, noise from university activities and other unwelcome disturbances. That is why we live in West Laramie and that is what appeals us. We moved here to enjoy the quiet, get some livestock and build a home and grow roots for our children.

Your proposal to introduce ninety (90) + single homes, apartments and townhomes is an utter disappointment to West Laramie residents. West Laramie can hardly already support its current residents. West Laramie has one elementary school, no retail stores or grocery stores and no infrastructure to handle the amount of people that you propose to move into these homes. It is foolish to overpopulate an area that doesn't have the resources available. This overpopulation is not only a threat to our community but also to our families and our livestock. You are coming right to our property line with your proposal. We have children. We do not want the extra traffic or threat of people entering our property unlawfully. We have wells and do not want the pollution going into our ground water. We do not want our livestock to get hurt or to have their freedom threatened in their own pastures.

Our hope is that you will reconsider the development proposal as a whole and honor the space and livelihood of West Laramie residents. However, we know that money is more valuable to some than sense. In that case, we ask that you reconsider the amount of homes proposed. Keep in mind the limitations of the economic area and what people come to West Laramie for. Consider building homes on one acre lots.

If you choose to develop this property and threaten our livelihood, we will demand a ten (10) foot stone or brick retention wall with the addition of trees in order to protect our children, our livestock, our home, our view and our life style. We will also demand filtering of the storm water in order to prevent our wells and groundwater from getting polluted.

We understand the need for growth in any economy, however you are putting the cart in front of the horse by building homes before you grow the West Laramie economy. You are setting us all up for failure and tainting the way of life in West Laramie. Thank you for your consideration in this manner.

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