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We, as residents of Sisters, fully support the Sisters Woodlands housing project. There is a compelling need for affordable housing in Sisters, OR 97759.

Just as Bend, OR has seen rising home prices and a shortage of homes for sale, so has Sisters, with an over 5% value increase in home prices since a year ago. Furthermore, the 97759 zip code home value has a 1-year forecasted increase of 4.3%.

Young families need homes they can afford while raising children. Home ownership is the backbone of involved communities. Right now, rental prices are 6% higher in Sisters than the county median, making them close to, or more than a mortgage payment would be.

The Sisters Woodlands housing project would bring more involved young members into our community making for a more stable economy now dependent on summer tourism.

Thank you for your consideration,
Sten and Linda Bergstrom