

Matt Martin

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Dear Matthew,

Though we are not able to attend Thursday's hearing, we want to express our concern about the proposed development of Sunset Meadows.

The density and high number of units planned for this property would change the character of Sisters' west side, and would cause the loss of numerous mature trees. The idea that there is no open space retained within the project is appalling, as is the fact that this parcel sits at the gateway to the scenic McKenzie Highway. The additional traffic and need for services will impact our town significantly, straining our already taxed infrastructure; this is exacerbated by the proximity of the Woodlands development and the new elementary school. The increase in demand for water is perhaps the most concerning resource issue, given that we are in a prolonged drought and local wells just outside of town have had issues.

Lastly, with the loss of one of Sisters' largest employers, it seems that all this new housing is not based on current needs. This project, as presented, is a bad idea at this time.

Sincerely,

Karen & James Thrower