

Maren Toohill

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To whom it may concern;

I would like to express great dismay about the proposed development at one Monarch drive. As a concerned resident of Littleton, I have several serious concerns about the proposed project. They are as follows;

First and foremost, the entire site is designated as priority habitat by Ma NHESP. I know from my own visits to the site the entire project area is used

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Littleton does not have any site left with 1
devastating to the future of this rare species.

Second concern is traffic. The proposal suggests over 400 new vehicle trips per day. As a resident who lives at the intersection of Harwood Ave and King Street, I dread that massive increase in traffic in an intersection that is already overwhelmed by commercial and residential traffic. I witnessed the recent truck vs train accident at that intersection. I have seen many occasions where vehicles have been stopped on the tracks because of the traffic in that spot. It's only a matter of time before a more serious accident occurs. In addition as a resident of that location, my quality of life would be significantly degraded by the increase in traffic.

My third concern is water pollution into beaver brook and ultimately the aquifer for the town's drinking water. That is a low laying piece of land on sandy soil which would allow runoff to access the brook easily. I also question whether the land isn't subject to flooding in the event of a major event on beaver brook.

My last concern is that the town does not seem to be able to fill the industrial and commercial buildings we already have. Most of the industrial buildings in the area around Monarch drive appear to be partially empty. The IBM site in the center of town is a giant boondoggle which consumed 40 acres of prime land and sits empty. The Point is turning into another giant piece of land destroyed only to sit unused. To destroy 20 more acres of land, designated priority habitat for threatened species, only to build another industrial building that won't stay occupied would be a horrible loss. Once that land is destroyed, it can never be brought back.

I hope you will take my concerns into consideration. I would really be disappointed to see this precious rare piece of land be destroyed.

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