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From: Sandy Cromwell <sandyc@montana.com>
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To: Ravalli County Commissioners Office
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Intermountain Industrial on Middle Bear Creek

I am appalled that I have to sit here in my house and listen to the industrial steel noises coming out of Intermountain Industrial this morning (as is typical most days since they've been here), so much so that I have to close up my doors and windows to have any peace IN MY OWN HOUSE rather than be able to enjoy the cool morning air! And we're two properties down from them. I can't imagine how horrible it is for the three families that surround them on their property line! The Cooks care NOTHING about the damage they've done to our home lifestyles while they use that property in greed to line their own pockets. They also do not stick to their supposed 'work schedule' they claimed in court as last Friday they had a semi-truck being loaded, with more screeching steel and beeping equipment, a day when they claim they don't work.

I hate them with every breath I take and pray that some jerk like them moves into YOUR neighborhood and destroys everything you spent your life's blood, sweat and hard earned money on for your retirement if that's the only way we can get your attention. My husband and I were here WAY before that property became commercial, let alone industrial, along with several other properties here even longer than us. There should have been a public meeting and an impact statement from them BEFORE ever permitting them that type of use in a non-industrial neighborhood. It was NOT industrial before they bought it, even tho they and their lawyers lie to everyone and say it was. That Noise Nuisance statute/law clearly applies here. Why won't someone enforce it without private property owners having to go bankrupt paying for lawyers!!!!????

It's not about them being a business, it's about them being a business and making all that industrial steel noise on OUR properties!!!!

You say you can't shut them down. I don't want them to shut down, I want them to move to an appropriate place with which to do that type of business, like down on the highway. No one seems to have any problem with them forcing us out of our own homes because the only solution so far is for all of US to leave...at a loss to our property values BECAUSE they make all that noise! My husband and I are now retired on a fixed income and already spent over 22 years paying off and fixing up our forever home...where do you suggest we go now??? How did someone like them get so much power? I've heard they're best buds with your county attorney. I hope that's not playing a role in this as this county typically has a 'get forgiveness not permission' administration when people with money come in and do whatever they want...I've seen it happen.

I've always appreciated that Ravalli County was a non-zoned county, but now that people like the Cooks, who have no respect for the neighborhoods they invade, are taking over I'm changing my opinion on that. We need some response to our zoning request so more businesses like them don't think this is an industrial neighborhood and ruin our lives any more than these people have as there are other large vacant parcels currently for sale.

Thank you,
Sandy Cromwell

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