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Dear County Commissioners,

Unfortunately I can not attend the Ravalli County Commissioners meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 12, 2022. Therefore I am providing written comments regarding road access to Logan and Middle Burnt Fork roads from the subdivision known as Burnt Fort Estates. (BFE).

Please deny road access to Logan and Middle Burnt Fork roads relative to the subdivision called BFE. There are major safety issues and concerns allowing access to these two roads by the BFE. Access should go through Second street or through property south of Stevensville school. Access on to Logan (aka Stevensville Bypass) and Middle Burnt Fork is extremely dangerous. Further, routing traffic through the existing subdivision known as Creekside Meadows is also dangerous, creates safety issues and causes serve congestion on Creekside Drive. Already there is substantial congestion on Creekside Drive so additional traffic would just exacerbate the problem.

Logan is a farm road with no shoulder, a passing area, and a substantial amount of traffic that has increased dramatically over the years. Further, there is no enforcement of a speed limit on Logan as most vehicles exceed the posted speed limit causing great safety issues. In fact, even now the speed limit should be reduce and enforced. Middle Burnt Fork is also dangerous because of excessive speeding and heavy traffic usage.

Apparently there has been so-called traffic studies done, but the studies used questionable methodology as brought forward to the Stevensville Town Council. My understanding is the traffic studies completed are not reliable.

People will be killed with the increased traffic on these two roads. Please do the right thing and deny access to Logan and Middle Burnt Fork from BFE.

Thank you for giving me the opportunity to provide input prior to making this critical decision.

Regards,

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