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Subject: FW: Feedback from Preserve-Marvin Creek Adjacent Property Owners
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Attachments: [Map of adjacent property and photo of re-route site-3.pdf](#)

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Dear Councilman Wayne Deatherage,

I deeply appreciate your suggestion in last week's Village Council meeting to gain resident input on the potential development of the Connector Trail near a regulatory floodway. Here is new information that you may not have had when the Village Council made their previous decision to pursue the construction of the Marvin Creek Connector Trail.

FEEDBACK FROM ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS: As a private citizen, I went door-to-door on the afternoon of Tuesday, April 16th and the evening of Wednesday, April 17th to the twenty most adjacent property owners near Marvin Branch creek along Groves Edge Lane, Painted Turtle Court, and the Preserve neighborhood. See attached for a map of the area where the regulatory floodway exists and the most adjacent property owners reside. My intent was to gather resident input from those that would be impacted by both the current and re-routed versions of the Connector Trail. Three homeowners were not home. Seventeen property owners were home at that time. My petition called upon the Village of Marvin to re-evaluate the need for the Connector Trail, cancel the Connector Trail project, and nullify the Marvin Creek HOA easement. There was unanimous opposition from all seventeen neighboring property owners regarding the development of the Connector Trail near the regulatory floodway. If necessary, I'd be happy to share this petition and the reasons why these residents felt so strongly about this specific issue.

POTENTIAL FLOODWAY DESIGNATION AT REROUTE SITE: At the last Village Council meeting, Hunter mentioned as long as the new route stays out of the floodway and crosses the creek outside of the mapped floodplain, he could survey the floodway line and then have the new route staked to ensure it is not encroaching before issuing the floodplain development permit. See attached for a photo from an adjacent property owner that demonstrates a floodway still exists at the approximate location of Hunter's proposed re-routed creek crossing. While the FEMA floodplain study may not extend this far, the creek widens significantly at this point, suggesting it might function as a floodway. Consulting with NFIP Auditor Terry Foxx regarding this specific location and the potential floodway designation would be very beneficial.

My Preserve-Marvin Creek neighbors have legitimate concerns about spending public funds to construct an unnecessary trail near or over our shared waterway and floodplain. I am gratified to know that we have a Councilmember who is earnestly requesting resident input in order to make an appropriate decision.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this new information.

Sincerely,

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