

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am writing to express my support for the preservation of the South Pond Wetlands area. This is an environmentally sensitive area, as it is home to the Duke's skipper, an endangered species of butterfly. Another endangered species, the Peregrine Falcon, has also been seen hunting in the wetlands.

The proposed development threatens the pristine wetlands area. The runoff from nearby homes will disrupt the water supply to the wetlands, and will contain pesticides, herbicides, and chemicals from treated lawns. This will contaminate the area for years to come, harming the vegetation and animal life.

I strongly urge the commission not to allow the development of this sensitive land.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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