

I am writing this email in the hopes that I can help sway the planning commission to reject the proposed development of lands adjacent to the south pond wetlands. I am fairly new to the Ann Arbor community, only moving here with my wife and two young children about a year and a half ago. One of the major reasons we came here was because of the phenomenal availability of wonderful natural spaces within our city. In our time here, we have enjoyed this great Ann Arbor asset.

Developing this space adjacent to the south pond wetlands will lead to the destruction of a unique and sensitive environmental area. Please be clear that destruction is not just a possible outcome, it is an inevitable outcome. The only matter is the degree of environmental destruction.

I understand that we must balance the protection of natural spaces with development to accommodate the needs of citizens. However, Ann Arbor doesn't need another subdivision. Plenty of cities have subdivisions, but most don't have something as special as the south pond wetlands.

Ann Arbor is a fantastic place to live and raise a family. A big reason for this is because of the cities remarkable natural spaces, and our community risks losing one of the best. I strongly urge you to reject the proposed development.

Thank you for your consideration of my opinion.

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