

The Planning Commission

Dear Madam/Sir,

I am writing to voice my objection to the South Pond Village development plan. The primary concern expressed in the petition is environmental, that the runoff from the proposed development will damage the wetlands and South Pond that lie immediately downstream from the proposed village.

Over 100 different bird species use south pond. The wetlands near the pond are one of the last places in Michigan the Dukes' Skipper butterfly has been sighted. One key concern is the land including and adjacent to the wetlands impacted by development is the habitat of the Dukes' Skipper butterfly, a species that is critically imperiled, State rank S1. This classification is reserved for only the very rarest species. According to Dave Borneman of NAP it is "*the only animal in that category known to be a resident in any of our parks*". The complete description of this category is: S1 = critically imperiled in the state because of extreme rarity (5 or fewer occurrences or very few remaining individuals or acres) or because of some factor(s) making it especially vulnerable to extirpation in the state.

I strongly urge you to stop the South Pond Village development plan.

Sincerely yours,

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Ann Arbor resident