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Thurston Nature Area South Prairie

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Hello-

Please consider the damage the building of the new Thurston Elementary will be doing to an established and well loved Nature Center. Thurston is overcrowded and understaffed especially during lunch recess. Students are not supervised closely enough to have a road with large construction machinery in the area. The plan for building the new elementary school in the Prairie needs to be reviewed and updated with the best interests of the families and their students in mind.

The inherent danger in allowing construction of a new school to take place so close to an existing school with children in it and adding a road to a path traveled by families to and from school will also create a risk for the students of Thurston. Please think about how the school will best serve the students and the neighborhood with minimal risk and without destruction of the Nature Center.

Sincerely,
Kelly McGowan