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**Cc:** [Clint Hickman \(BOS\)](#)  
**Subject:** CASE Z2019129-303 and Olive  
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Dear Mr. Ray Banker:

I am writing this letter in response to the request to re-zone RU-43 to C-2 for approx. 38 acres. I am protesting this zone change as a concerned resident. I have already been very flexible with Forrest Nursery since their land purchase. At the beginning, the owner discussed his plans with us, and was originally going to put trees beyond his block wall so our view would not be commercial buildings or very large greenhouses. We were anticipating greenery, and not 16ft. tall greenhouses looking out our front door or sitting on our front patio in the evenings. You can see attached photos that depict what I'm explaining. Not only has he placed the greenhouses directly in our view, he is destroying our road with heavy equipment running day and night. I have thousands of photographs to prove this traffic and constant noise right outside our door, I have attached a few to this Email in the link below. When reviewing the photographs, please note the timelines and the oversize/overweight loads from Forrest Equipment Rentals.

I am very disappointed in the county allowing him to run a commercial business on a private residential street. He has built commercial structures and even though he has his own business gates with one entrance on Olive and one main entrance on Cotton Lane, he continues to use our private residential street (Lawrence Lane). He also runs his second business, Forrest Equipment Rentals, up and down our street with heavy rental equipment. Our road is suffering the consequences, along with our safety entering and exiting our own home with heavy truck traffic flying down our street. Our road is turning into a heavy equipment super highway. All his employees also enter and exit work from our street that only has 3 houses on it, one of those being his home. His home is the first when you enter the street, and his parents are currently residing there, and he has even mentioned re-zoning his residential property to reduce his taxes. Not only are we at the mercy of Forrest Nursery and Forrest Equipment Rentals, we also have the fire department going in and out of our street with the temporary relocation. As we are thankful for their service, we do not appreciate the fact that the county is not taking responsibility for maintaining the road. Forrest is collecting rent from the fire department for utilizing his property, so he is reaping all of the benefits while destroying our residential road and diminishing our property values.

The large commercial trucks continuously knock down the stop sign at the end of the road, which I have had to relocate personally and put back up. I have grandchildren temporarily residing with me and they cannot even play in the front yard or ride bikes without worrying about their safety with heavy trucking going constantly and employees driving 35 mph down the street. By blocking off the end of the street, our garbage service has to back into our street from Cotton Lane and reverse down the road. The county also allowed our neighbor to the right of us, to put up a block wall, which blinds our view to oncoming traffic from the east direction. I am truly afraid that one of us is going to get hit trying to exit our property onto Lawrence Lane. Not only is our safety a concern, but our driveway and pavers are getting displaced into a divot from heavy commercial vehicles going to the end of Lawrence Lane and having to back into our driveway just to turn around; or they utilize my circle driveway for their turn around.

The county has evidently already issued permits for Forrest Nursery to build the Forrest Equipment Rentals facility under our RU-43 zoning. It seems like this business can build without consequences and we do not know what to expect next. Are we going to have a whole new commercial building in our front yard with even more traffic or even more noise? There are several shops, one sits right behind the greenhouses and we hear heavy industrial equipment, along with loud music and bright lights all hours of the day and night. It just seems as if Forrest can do no wrong and the county keeps turning a blind eye. I have called the county numerous times since all of this began, and nobody seems to care or want to stop this.

I feel that I have been very patient and flexible and that stops now. We are tired of the noise, the wear and tear on our street, the heavy traffic, the damage to our driveway, and most importantly our safety at risk every day. It is time for the county to act and hold Forrest Nursery to the same standards as other businesses. If this does not stop now, I will have no choice but to take further action.

I hope that this letter will be reviewed and taken into consideration with respect as if you were the homeowner that I am. If you need to see additional photographs, I have a thousand more. I appreciate your time and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,  
Michael Poppe  
Homeowner of 17031 W. Lawrence Lane, Waddell

Link to photos:  
<https://1drv.ms/u/s!BHf6JupLqQeZhVtJLRVGUwkaKi5t?e=uDvq6T>