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Cc: [Friends of Grant Creek](#)
Subject: Proposed Zoning at the quarry at 2920 Expo Parkway
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I currently live in the grant creek area and I OPPOSE the proposed rezoning of the quarry at 2920 Expo Parkway. The existing zoning is a better fit for the area.

I oppose the rezoning of the quarry at 2920 Expo Parkway for the following reasons:

- The new zoning is not consistent with the Grant Creek Area plan or growth policy. The proposed new zoning is not appropriate for use on the city's wildland fringe areas.
- The new zoning will make evacuating the Grant Creek drainage in the case of a fire much more difficult. Adding one new lane near the interstate is not going to be able to evacuate thousands of new residents in the Grant Creek drainage.
- The new zoning does not promote public health, public safety, and the general welfare. The existing zoning provides for a path to home ownership with a mix of lower density apartments and single family homes. The new proposed zoning does not. The existing condominium development directly east of the quarry is an excellent example of responsible development that fits the character of the grant creek area while also providing a path to home ownership. The new zoning will not support these goals.
- The new zoning does not promote compatible urban growth. This type of proposed development is more suitable for Missoula's urban core where services and infrastructure are more readily available to support this amount of new residents instead of the wildland fringe.
- The new zoning request does not fit the character of the grant creek district.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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