



Crook County

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Community Development

Crook County Planning Dept.  
Crook County Courthouse  
Re: Proposed 580 acre PB resort  
To Whom It May Concern:

As a resident of Powell Butte, Oregon, residing at 14900 SW Miller Trail, for almost 60 years, we have seen much change, some good, some not so good, as would be expected in the name of progress.

A few years back, a few of us on the SW side of Powell Butte fought long and hard at meetings regarding Brasada, as well as the Paulisch development to the south of Brasada. By the time, things get to the community input stage, lots of momentum has occurred.

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The same concerns then are still applying here, however; magnified. Hopefully, our Commissioners have ears to hear and eyes to see.

1) WATER (farmers + ranches have been significantly impacted since Brasada entered the picture, however, golf courses continue to be green and thrive. We, as well, as other PB residents are drilling deeper wells.

2) Traffic — you only have to drive on the state highway to PB and the PB Hwy, to know we have serious traffic challenges. We cannot get out of our driveway without being honked at, flipped off or cussed. The post office won't even deliver on SW Miller Trail

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because they consider it unsafe to pull in and pull out of our driveway. We have a BLM allotment across from our driveway and it literally is frightening to drive cattle across the highway to our private land, a 5 minute endeavor. Folks don't want to stop or respect a caution flag, and will drive right through the middle of the herd. This is a necessary agricultural practice and would be just as unsafe if we were making multiple trailer loads of cattle entering the PB highway and on in to our driveway.

3) Taking up agricultural land — Is this the direction of Crook County? To be used as a more affordable overflow

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for Bend and Redmond?

The folks coming here don't really exhibit an appreciation for the rural lifestyle. One lady told us, "don't you know that you can't pull out with a trailer on the PB Hwy? It's a 70 mile an hour road." Hopefully, no one hits a cow. It's all open range now on the PB Hwy and newcomers don't understand the risks.

5) Finally → attitudes —  
It has been noted by many local PB people that some, not all, newcomers are rude and disrespectful. More "city attitudes" in this area is bad and not desired.

5)

There are other concerns but these are the most obvious and most hurtful to our area.

Thank you for listening to our concerns and we pray that you will take the people's concerns to heart and act accordingly.

Sincerely,

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