

Ryan Harriman

From: Ryan Harriman
Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2023 10:28 AM
To: Clint Morris
Subject: FW: File # SEP23-005 Crowder Comments

Clint,

Please reach out to the property owner in the email below.

Thanks.

[Ryan Harriman, EMPA, AICP](#)

Planning Manager

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From: jcrowderstl@gmail.com <jcrowderstl@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, April 20, 2023 10:24 AM

To: Ryan Harriman <ryan.harriman@mercerisland.gov>

Subject: File # SEP23-005 Crowder Comments

Ryan Harriman
Planning Manager
City of Mercer Island, WA

Ryan,

I am writing in regards to the notice we received about a request for SEPA review of a watercourse mitigation and restoration project located at 4886 Forest Ave. SE and 4888 Forest Ave SE, Mercer Island.

When we received the letter I looked the address up on Google maps and it looked like it was further down the street and I walked down there and found a sign posted there, but really could not understand it, because there was no watercourse at that location. Then the sign was posted next to my home, above the ravine, so I am assuming that is the location you are referring to now.

I have seen workers walking in the ravine, putting in flags.
We are concerned about what your mitigation will eventually lead to.

Our concern is that once you have shored up the hillside, that the developer will come in and build on it. It looks like there is no room to build a home due to the space and the wetlands and watercourse that are there, which requires setbacks from them before building nearby. We do not want the waterway diverted or moved, as it could undermine the hillside in the ravine and effect the homes there.

We want to save the salmon in the lake.

I thought you may plant trees on the hillside to prevent erosion, but I do not see that in your scope.

We just wanted to express our concerns. I would appreciate if you can please respond to my comments.

I request a copy of the decision, once you have made one.

Sincerely,
Janie and Mike Crowder
4884 Forest Ave. SE
Mercer Island, WA