

**From:** [Forest Ave](#)  
**To:** [Deb Estrada](#); [Ryan Harriman](#)  
**Cc:** [Fred Gu](#)  
**Subject:** File no. SEP23-006 (previously SEP23-005)  
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Dear Ryan and Deborah,

Thank you for allowing us to comment on File No. SEP23-006 (previously File No. SEP23-005). We have met with your colleague Fred Gu to learn more about this project. Fred was very helpful and explained the details of the proposed project. Based on our understanding of the City's plan, we are writing to object formally to the City of Mercer Island undertaking this proposed project. The culvert, which runs along the northern boundary of our property and for which we were informed by the city is jointly owned and to be maintained by us and our neighbor to the north (i.e., the City neither owns nor maintains this culvert), is downstream from the waterway on which project construction would be performed. Should any aspect of the project, either now or in the future (e.g., through erosion of the project's components, etc.), result in debris, such debris could enter and/or occlude our culvert. In advance of any such project proceeding, we will require the city's assurance that, should our culvert in anyway be compromised, the city would bear all related restoration costs including, but not limited to, those associated with the culvert and with the adjacent properties and/or homes.

Sincerely,

Forest Ave SE Homeowner  
(4845)