

From: [Donald Rush](#)
To: [Planning Clerk](#)
Subject: case number PLN-2020-16657
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Please provide answers to the following concerns:

1. What is the proposed use of Bolier Ave by logging and other heavy haul trucks related to this logging operation?
2. What is the point of entry/exit of logging & other heavy trucks? Need location depicted on aerial plot.
3. Bolier is one lane at certain locations between Murray and the subject property. What is the predicted road closure to traffic or traffic control plan if heavy trucks are using and potentially closing off access to Bolier residents by trucks with entry/exit needs from subject property?

There is no need to speak. Answers to the above questions on this forum is all that is needed. signed,

Don Rush

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January 6, 2021

Subject: Public Comment for Case No. PLN-2020-16657
Tree removal in Coastal Zone
APN 510-261-014

Dear Zoning Administrator,

My name is Robert Jensen, property owner at 2722 Daffodil Ave, Mckinleyville. My home is located east of and adjacent to the subject property. I purchased my home four years ago, in part due to the the proximity to the forested lot west of my property. The lot contains a number of very large 100'+ tall Monterey pine trees that are appreciated by myself and the neighbors.

The large iconic trees provide scenic and wildlife value to a neighborhood otherwise largely devoid of such habitat. In my years living here I have seen a range of birds including raptors (mostly hawks) use the trees for nesting and hunting. Additionally, we have neighborhood owls and fox's that use the pocket of forest for habitat.



To be fair, I think my neighbors (the applicants) are fine people and have the right to protect their home from damage. However, I believe there are options for mitigating damage other than completely removing the trees. Monterey pines with their massive trunks and deep root systems are not a species known for falling. These trees have existed for decades and I've not seen evidence of them coming down, with the exception of the five recently cut. I believe the remaining trees should be left in place unless they can be shown to be dying or have disease. As the survey map shows, the extent of limb fall is 60' or greater distance from the applicant's residence. Any limbs at risk of falling in their yard can be removed by a professional arborist.

The applicants chose to build their home on the property adjacent to the trees, and just recently acquired the property the trees are located on. If there is valid cause for removal due to safety concerns then I understand. However, if it's the annoyance of needle debris and blockage of south light exposure that is cause for removal, I do not

support the project. Loss of the remaining trees will have a significant impact on visual resources in the neighborhood as well as habitat loss.

I have provided photos of the trees at consideration. As you can see they are massive and tall trees that are an iconic part of the neighborhood's view shed.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best,

Robert Jensen

