

Joanna Arendarczyk

From: Andrea White <andreawhite21016@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 24, 2021 7:59 AM
To: Joanna Arendarczyk
Subject: Tax map 69 Lot 8 &10 Kubota Trust 214 Raymond Rd Watercross Event

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Town Of Nottingham
139 Stage Road
Nottingham NH 03290

Attention to :
Zoning Board, Planning Board and Select Board Members.

Re : Tax map 69 Lot 8 &10 Kubota Trust 214 Raymond Rd Watercross Event

To All member of the boards and the public:

This letter to express our support for the 3 Proposed Watercross Events of 214 Raymond Rd Nottingham NH .

We are looking forward to this recreational sporting event & think it will be able to create more opportunities to help the unique sport stay alive. We agree this is a great event to bring to our town. It's a great family fun event, we are looking forward to attending & supporting in any way we can.

In conclusion, we urge you to vote yes on this proposed event because it will be a dying sport without a place to hold such a unique sport.

We live within a 1/2 mile of the Watercross events held in Nottingham NH.

Sincerely,

Andrea White
15 Dolloff Dam Rd.

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Kathy Lee <k.lee@sau33.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 26, 2021 12:41 PM
To: Joanna Arendarczyk
Cc: c.sterndale@nottingham-nh.gov
Subject: Water Cross Event

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Dear Planning Board/Zoning Board,

I am writing to express my concern about the horrific noise and exhaust that is generated by the snowmobiles during the Water Cross event.

Last summer was ruined by the nonstop sound of these races. It is my understand that the snowmobiles can muffle the pitch of their engines, and I beseech you to make noise reduction mufflers a requirement for these events. It is also possible for noise reduction panels to be installed at the sandpit.

Friends/residents who live on the lake are also effected by the noise. I know I am not the only asthmatic who suffers when the wind blows exhaust in my direction. I feel it is unfair for so many to suffer for the profit of a few.

You are welcome to come sit on my pool deck during the events and try to relax. Last summer I had to cancel a bridal shower for my daughter, because the sound coming from the sandpit made it difficult to have a conversation outside.

I understand that the sandpit is commercially zoned, but you have the authority to require noise reduction techniques for this event.

Summer is short in New England, we all live for the outdoor enjoyment of the season. The Water Cross event will disturb the peace of three precious weekends of summer. We need your help to make this right. Please require this event to use all noise reduction techniques on machines and arena area.

Thank you,

Kathy Lee
(former 20 year p/t employee of Nottingham Recreation)

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From: Mary Colvard <mcolvard@tds.net>
Sent: Friday, July 2, 2021 1:56 PM
To: Joanna Arendarczyk
Cc: Mary Colvard
Subject: Watercross Event

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Hello,

My husband, John Bartsch and I live at 14 Indian Run in Nottingham. The proposed Northeast Watercross events will negatively affect the people and wildlife living in the surrounding area. The noise from last summer's events carried for miles. We do not support these events.

The noise created by the Northeast Watercross events is much more than a nuisance! There is overwhelming evidence that exposure to environmental noise has adverse effects on the health of humans. Noise pollution is ranked second among environmental threats to public health (the first being air pollution).

Just as noise pollution negatively impacts human health, it also affects wildlife. It can interfere with animal communication, hinder their foraging abilities and impact where they live. In general, a growing number of studies indicate that animals, like humans, are stressed by noisy environments (Shannon et al. 2015). Animals cannot leave town for the weekend during Watercross!

For more information check <https://www.natureconservancy.ca/en/blog/human-created-noise-pollution.html#.YHMIjeYpDdp> and <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/sound/resources.htm>

If you are not concerned about noise pollution and the impact of these events on wildlife, what about the potential for the contamination of the aquifer that provides water for many Nottingham residents? This potential for contamination is both chemical and pathogenic. Also, without a ready source of potable water and flush toilets, the chances of contamination are great. There is a real potential for serious health impact on the participants of the event and those whose source of water is the aquifer. Is the following what it will take to get people to realize that this location is not appropriate for the proposed Watercross weekends? Two people died as a result of an E. coli infection at a county fair in New York State. About 1,000 became ill. E. coli occurs naturally in animal feces, including human. See an excerpt from a news article that follows.

"...In this rolling dairy country between the Hudson River and Vermont, the farmers are fiercely protective of the Washington County Fair.

Their fair has never lost its "agricultural integrity," they like to boast, which is a polite way of saying that it has not been allowed to degenerate into another boozy tractor pull.

The organizers -- third-generation farmers, prominent businessmen, a few key politicians -- have zealously guarded the fair's status as the region's social event of the year, where farmers can caress the latest John Deere, skinny 4-H teenagers can still dream of glory for prized heifers, and the local volunteer fire departments can raise money for new boots and hoses by selling fabulously greasy barbecue chicken.

No alcohol or bare feet allowed.

This year's fair seemed no different, only bigger and better with the addition of a new milking parlor. And then the children started getting sick.

One after another, then by the dozens, they went to local hospitals and doctors' offices, howling with stomach cramps, weakened by diarrhea and nausea, some near death. Parents and grandparents got sick, too, baffled that something that had seemed so wholesome could turn out this badly.

The authorities suspect that about 1,000 people -- roughly a third of them children -- were infected at the fair with a particularly vicious strain of the E. coli bacteria that can swiftly escalate from diarrhea to dementia to brain death. With a little girl and an elderly man already dead, and with several children still in serious condition, the E. coli outbreak at the Washington County Fair now ranks among the nation's worst....

... The fair organizers had planned to supply most or all of the water from a chlorinated 120,000-gallon storage tank that is fed by a network of wells. But the dry summer made it hard to fill the tank. ... Although Well No. 6 is not chlorinated, several previous tests, including one in June, showed that its water met state standards...

Source: <https://www.nytimes.com/1999/09/20/nyregion/deadly-germ-taints-tradition-e-coli-devastates-families-leaves-fair-doubt.html>

Please do not approve the Northeast Watercross events.

Sincerely,
Mary Colvard