

<b>Comments</b>
A counterproductive and selfish proposal.
Adding multi family housing will completely change the landscape and negatively impact the areas appeal. Not to mention the negative impact it will have on wildlife.
Adding to the traffic already on Creek Road would be a mistake. Cars, trucks and school buses are an everyday occurrence. Adding more cars would be dangerous, and also harm the environment.
After seeing these photos and videos, I'm wondering what else it would take to convince anyone that development in the proposed area would be detrimental to the community?
NO VARIANCE!
Area can not support additional traffic and water erosion of land.
Area is a flood plain... and too close to Saucon Creek.
As a resident of Bethlehem I am opposed to any development that threatens this environmentally sensitive area.
As a resident of Stever Mills I have witnessed flooding on Creek Road and this rezoning would only exacerbate an already difficult situation
As a resident of the Lower Saucon community, I oppose additional development off creek road. The stormwater and flooding issues, combined with increased traffic on what is a very small road, will create an unnecessary burden on the community.
As an adjacent property owner and resident, I view this proposal to be a detriment to the neighborhood and region in general. This proposal is so far removed from the permitted zoning use that one needs to question the applicant's motive.
As an owner of property at Stone Stacks, I wholeheartedly support this petition
Awful idea
Bad property to develop, perfect to conserve as is.
Bethlehem City Council- Please do the right thing and DO NOT allow this proposed development to ruin the beautiful surroundings on Saucon Creek. As an avid cyclist please understand- that due to the Saucon Rail Trail ending just north of Water St. And not connecting to Bethlehem's Greenway- that most bikers use Creek Road as the conduit between the two trails. The narrow roadway is already dangerous for riders, please do not let this development compound the issues of public safety
Building in a flood zone makes no sense; changing rules to allow building in a flood zone makes even less sense
Building in a floodplain increases the opportunity for more flooding. It is a bad decision. If you do build there, the house has to be raised up. It is a very bad idea.
Building on a flood plane is a disastrous idea.
Building on swamp means raising the ground level. That action puts Downstream residents' property at risk for even MORE flooding. The area thats proposed is part of a protected area just upstream a short distance as it is. Also, this road is not even 2 lanes, where do you expect the traffic to go? That property was never built upon for a reason. we know this to be true because my husband's family owned a majority of the land on creek road for generations. Mr. A should have researched his purchase. It's not fair to change our surroundings and put our property at risk.
CHANGE ZONING SO NO DEVELOPMENT CAN TAKE PLACE IN THIS FLOOD ZONE
Class A trout stream and beautiful open space!
Creek Rd does not have the capacity to handle additional traffic
Creek Road cannot support an apartment unit.
Creek Road is too narrow to consider this project. Not to mention the beauty and serenity of this road.
Creek Road is very narrow and often floods and as an adjacent resident I believe a rezoning would not be in the best interest of the community b/c of safety and water runoff
Creek Road is very narrow and the added traffic would pose a danger to pedestrians and the Lehigh runners that often use that road.
Did they see the pictures and videos of Creek Road from the tropical storm?
Do not agree with plans. Do not approve.
Do not approve a zoning variance to allow the construction of residences on a flood zone.

Do we really need more apartments? Just say NO!
Does not sound like the best use of this land, particularly in a flood plain.
Don't rezone this rural area
Don't allow this development. It is a very bad idea and not for the good of the community overall.
Even the potential for increased stormwater, pollution, etc entering the Saucon Creek makes this project a bad idea.
Flood plain regulations exist to not only protect the neighboring houses, but they protect water run off, debris and flooding downstream. It is irresponsible to allow relief, at tax payers expense, for what is clearly of financial benefit to one individual
Flood plain, narrow streets with speed bumps for traffic control, and the old Stever Mill and race along the edge of the property. Crazy!
Flood Zone
Do not allow!!!!
Former Hellertown resident Road too narrow Flood plane
Fully concur with the above statement
Fully support no zoning change
He should donate money to fix the metal bridge.
He shouldn't be able to do it in a flood zone. If it were in LST it wouldn't happen. Who knows in Bethlehem.
Hellertown has become so congested as it is, please vote no for this complex.
Hellertown is more congested than ever before. I feel Putting in the proposed planed Retirement complex would only cause more congestion.
I absolutely oppose this building proposal.
I adamantly oppose this rezoning and would like to volunteer for any organized activities to help to prevent this from happening.
I agree with all the concerns and believe it would be detrimental to have this development approved.
I agree. There is good planning and there is no common sense planning here. Only greed
I already have a nightmare out back. The apartments going up on Fire Lane. Keep our little roads safe access to those who have lived here a while.
I already have tremendous noise and disruption from the Fire Lane apartment buildings going up. Creek Road does not need more traffic. It's lovely and quiet. Leave it be!!
I am against rezoning of 2105 creek road
I am against the development of and/or the zoning change at 2105 Creek Road, Bethlehem, Pa 18018  Thank you,  Sharon Grubb
I am against the rezoning of Creek Road. Please keep that area zoned Rural-Residential. It's such a beautiful, idyllic location; we need more of those and less over-development. Thank you.
I am concerned about the potential for pollution of the creek due to runoff, and the safety of the many pedestrians and cyclists who use Creek Road.
I am not in favor of developing on this tract of land. Flood plain and also increased traffic on Creek Road that will clog other local roads
I am opposed to the rezoning and the building of a residential retirement complex at 2105 Creek Road, Bethlehem, PA. I am a concerned neighbor.
I am opposed to the rezoning of 2105 Creek Road, Bethlehem from rural residential to residential retirement complex. Please do not change the zoning in that area.
I AM OPPOSED TO THE REZONING OF CREEK ROAD.
I am VEHEMENTLY AGAINST this rezoning.

<p>I am very concerned on the impact of this zoning change and development of the property due to the potential environmental and safety impact. This property is a flood plain that borders a creek that has flooded in recent years. Creek Road is also very narrow and without pedestrian access. for residents of the area and Lehigh University students and athletes that use the road regularly.</p>
<p>I do not want to give out my phone number and would really not like my e-mail to be shared.</p>
<p>I don't support re-zoning 2105 Creek Rd and building in a flood plain bordering a creek that has flooded in recent</p>
<p>I don't want it Develop</p>
<p>I feel there is too much development and traffic in this surrounding area and it impacts the community in many aspects of our lives and resources.</p>
<p>I frequently visit the Saucon trail and run/walk on Creek road. The increased traffic, the effect on the nearby park and trail, and the flooding I have witnessed in that area all suggest that this is a TERRIBLE idea. Let me know how I can</p>
<p>I grew up running around in that area of the creek. It's home to all kind of animals especially deer. Leave it stay wild. We don't need more development around hellertown.</p>
<p>I have family that lives right on Creek Rd. This area is a beautiful rural area. To put that much housing in that area would ruin what makes it desirable to those who already live there. The only good that I can see in this is if the road was greatly widened, but I don't suggest that as the cost to put this complex here. I do not support the rezoning or construction project.</p>
<p>I have seen this area get flooded on more than one occasion</p>
<p>I have walked that location many times. That is a narrow rural road, with a narrow one-lane bridge and a stream running along side. It should not be developed.</p>
<p>I live on the road and fish the Saucon...this would destroy this area and destroy this Class A trout stream....the location is on a major flood plain and would be a total debacle for all.</p>
<p>I often travel Creek Rd. to visit my parents in Stever Mills and the existing roadway barely allows for two cars to pass, has difficult sight-lines for egress and floods during heavy rains. I think existing zoning is appropriate and would not see a reason why 2105 Creek Road should be rezoned</p>
<p>I purchased this property in great part for the views of undeveloped land, since land was zoned RR. With the small of amount of land each homes possesses, the surrounding rural property is critical for the setting and ability to access safely. I purchased the landing knowing about flood plane, but feeling safe that the RR designation would not causes great issues.</p>
<p>I regularly walk down Creek Rd. It is a beautiful and peaceful stretch of road for pedestrians that allows them to walk, despite the lack of sidewalk, because of the speed bumps in place to limit speeding. It is not suitable for extensive traffic. I have witnessed several times cars had to take turns going down narrow stretches. I also believe we should strive to protect our natural resources. We will not have any beautiful places left for our children if we do not protect our environment. I moved from New Jersey a few years back. When we came here we were in awe of how clear and clean the waterways looked. I have seen firsthand what over-development does in New Jersey to the environment. It is sad. I would be scared to have my children splash in a creek in NJ. Here, the water is pristine. I'm sure there is a buyer out there who would utilize the land properly without the risk of damaging the waterways.</p>
<p>I respectfully ask that no zoning changes or variances be granted with regard to the Creek Road parcel.</p>
<p>I respectfully request no zoning or variance changes be granted regarding this parcel for 2105 Creek Road. Thank</p>
<p>I say NO to Both.</p>
<p>I think it's wrong to put all those units in a flood plain.</p>
<p>I vehemently oppose the request to re-zone the property. On top of the flood zone designation, the infrastructure of Creek Road cannot handle the impact of more vehicles. It's already tough now as it is.</p>
<p>I will attend the meeting on Sept 15 - please let us know the location and time once you have these details. Thank</p>
<p>I would like Saucon creek to stay clean. Creek road is also not wide enough to take on any more traffic then it already has. The speed that people drive on that road is way out of hand and more traffic on it would make it even more dangerous.</p>

I write you today to request your consideration to vote against allowing the Creek Road Re-zoning. As a resident of Penstock Court in the Stever Mills complex, it has become very apparent quickly that current road congestion is certainly an issue due to the narrow nature of the service road and the high amount of walkers and joggers who use or seek access to the rail trail. The road also has a high propensity for flooding during significant rain falls adding to congestion issues. A multiple apartment / carriage house complex with 60 parking spaces would only add significant problems to an already congested area, while also raising significant safety issues.

If Creek Road is developed, builder should be REQUIRED to make road improvements at the same time. There are fewer and fewer undeveloped spaces in the county, and plunking another development along Creek Road will spoil it.

If its a flood zone why would you want to build there? This will bring congestion to a very quiet area.

If the past storm and flooding in Hellertown and on Creek Road doesn't change minds that these should not be built, what will?

If we do not curtail flood plain and other developments like this, we will leave no open land for future generations. Northampton County had a goal of preserving 25% of the County's open space. It is my understanding that 25% no longer exists. In addition, our road infrastructure can no longer support existing traffic, let alone the additional traffic that follows all development. Our desire for more tax revenue is a vicious circle. More dollars will always be required to support the services new development requires. Time to pause and take stock.

I'm a senior resident and sincerely appreciate the tranquility of the area.

I'm a supporter of not putting structures in the flood plain.

It is not possible to build on this property it is a wetland and you will be putting many lives at stake of drowning and property damage

It is ridiculous to put homes or structures of any kind in that flood area.

It is so irresponsible to allow building in a known flood zone. And what happens when the owners get tired of having to fix their homes each times it floods and they decide to sue you for allowing the homes to be build in a flood zone?

It is such a small road and access will be deplorable along with added congestion and pollution. It such a private and beautiful area, and we have enough traffic from the casino.

Disgusted

It will create traffic problems. Traffic is bad enough already.

It would seem that this land should not even be zoned RR as anyone who built a house there would just be asking to be flooded out periodically and what would the sense in that? Why can't the land just be purchased and made part of Water St Park?

It's all about greed. Theses developers don't care about open space just lining their pockets. And they don't have to live by the problems they create. This area is wet. This property should be deemed wet lands it's full of cat tails and marsh. Creek road even floods out because of the small creek on one side and then the Saucon Creek on the other side during prolonged rains or hurricanes. Another thing is the extra traffic on Friedensville Road and Creek Rd and Main St Hellertown. It's unbelievable that they asked for the same thing again.

Make a nature trail on the property and do something good for the Community instead of paving everything over and building more houses that people can't afford.

I'VE BEEN A RESIDENT OF HELLERTOWN/LSTWSP SINCE 2008 AND I RESPECTFULLY OPPOSE THE ZONING CHANGE OF 2105 CREEK ROAD-18018 FROM RR TO R-RC.

THIS AREA SHOULD NOT BE DEVELOPED IN ANY FASHION, BUT INSTEAD PRESERVED AND DEDICATED AS PROTECTED LAND.

THE PRESTIGE OF OUR COMMUNITY RELIES ON OUR BUCOLIC, NATURAL BEAUTY UNMOLESTED BY URBAN SPRAWL. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

Keep it as is. Traffic will be terrible if units are built.

Keep it rural!

Keep our small town small!!

keep up the good fight!

Lack of quick access to police, fire dept. traffic issues

land along the creek should be preserved.

the land floods and should not be built on.

land floods in heavy rain..... too close to saucon watershed for development.

Leave our wilderness alone. A global pandemic is not the time to be putting in an ugly building that will sit empty and benefit nobody but the developer's pockets.
Leave the land as is it
Lived on Creek Road for 30 years. Fish the Saucon for 50 years. Trying to build on a known flood plane is insanity...you have my support to stop this foolishness...
More Traffic--More floods- Too Much
My understanding is that this property lies in a flood plain. It formerly was a pasture where horses roamed and is totally unsuitable for any kind of residential use.
Need to keep this area rural farmland. In flood-lane. Shouldn't fill which will be necessary.
No building should be approved in a flood zone. Current RR should be rescinded. Keep natural.
No development along Creek Road! It is not even two lanes in some places, the paving is uneven, and the land you're looking to develop is in a flood plain. Poor planning for sure.
No for the rezoning
No it's so sweet and quiet!
No more developing in Hellertown, preserve the land that is left
No more development
no more development in Lower Saucon Township
No need to add more traffic to the area.
No no and no.
No retirement complexes
No rezone
No to rezoning
No way!
No way! Our area is already congested.
NO way.
No zoning changes!
Northampton County has pledged to preserve 25% of the remaining open space in the County. At this time, it appears that we no longer have 25% to preserve. We do not have the infrastructure to support additional development. It is time to end the rezoning that encourages overdevelopment. If decisions continue to be made for the sake of tax revenue, we will leave nothing for our children.
Not a good use of this land. Keep existing zoning.
not in favor of developing creek rd area
Not in favor of this, creek road cannot handle this amount of traffic...
Nothing should be built on a flood plan.
NOTHING would negatively affect my living situation more than rezoning and building on Creek Road. This is a beautiful road and area with already too much increasing urban development, construction, and traffic. Please, please, please--NO zoning change!
Opposed to putting in a apartment complex on Creek Road. Feel will take away from country setting and add more traffic to an already stressed roadway
Opposed to rezoning! This is clearly a flood plain! Makes no sense to build on that parcel!
Our grandsons love going down Creek Road to see the horses farther down the road. It will be spoiled with apartments and parking lots.
Our kids run and ride their bikes on that road. Lehigh needs to function without additional traffic.
Our roads cannot handle more traffic. Our water table is already overburdened. No more developments should be considered in this area.
Overwhelming support to defeat this request is proof that most want the zoning to remain as rural residential.
Please contact me to get our community to support your efforts Mountain Park Condominium Home Owners Association, William St Bethlehem
Please do not add to the traffic on Creek Road. As a resident, I am noticing more and more traffic especially during the summer months. Motorcycles are adding to the mix of cars, trucks, etc. Leave Creek Road as it is.
Please do not allow this development. It would increase traffic and ruin the quaintness of the area.

Please do not allow this proposed development to ruin the beauty and quaintness of this area. The traffic and development would be a detriment to the area. Thank you
Please do not approve this zoning change. It would result in excessive traffic and would ruin the quaintness of the area.
Please do not build here! Take a look at the last flooding.
Please do not change the zoning. It will negatively impact the area. Thank you
Please do not let one man's greed destroy all this tranquil beauty. This is a flood zone! Just leave it as is for the quiet and safe enjoyment of us nearby residents.
Please don't develop!
Please include our Association for any updates Thank you Steve Didonato
Please keep the land there - it is building up way too much!
Please leave the zoning ordinance as it is now - do not make changes to accommodate this development. Thank
Please no more overdevelopment in the few natural & open areas left.
Please protect our lives and water ways by not allowing one individual to profit off developing and putting past and present and future residents. We have witnessed this week the potential hazards and risks residents are facing. We DO NOT want more residents to be effected by a well known flood zone. To develop on this land would be irresponsible for all individuals involved.
Please retain RR zoning....!!!!
Please save Creek road from development
Please stop the planned development in this rural area. The stream is at risk and the development would interfere with the nature that is a buffer to the existing development in this area.
Please stop the rezoning of Creek Road .
Please take a look at the way this property is being cared for currently with all the dead and cut down trees and downed fencing and that's what will happen if Bethlehem approves this developers plans Stop this project now before it's too late
Please, NO!
poor location bad idea
Preserve Creek Road and all the surrounding communitis and Saucon Creek. This development is shortsighted and selfish.
Preserve the Saucon creek
Really appreciate all this work
Rezoning of this Creek Road property is not in the best interests of our community.
Save Creek road
Save Creek Road. dont build
Save the wildlife. No sub-division!
Senior housing in a rural flood plain?? Why do we need signatures to say this is a bad idea???
STOP DEVELOPING. The area is ABOVE capacity. Don't ruin the quality of the water, cut down hundreds of trees, and destroy a major section habitat. Don't do it.
Thank you for taking this on! Such a development would overwhelm the area. There are so many reasons not to allow a 40 unit apartment building with 60 parking spaces: The stream along the road there has fish and other wildlife which would be impacted by even more salt and run off pollution. The floods that occur on that stretch of road would be even more challenging for residents on Creek Road. Lehigh University students run on that road every day and it creates a peaceful haven for local families who enjoy the community feeling open space. Please do not build a residential apartment complex at that location - there are other places that would be better suited for such a building.
Thank you for your consideration!
That area is not meant for high density use. It floods regularly and with more severe storms these days, it just doesn't make sense to build there. Additionally, the road is way too narrow for extra traffic with no room to expand.

That area of Hellertown needs more flood plain corrective actions and definitely NOT any housing developments.
The area here along the creek is very sensitive and flood prone. If any development occurs, the 100 feet from the creek should be reserved for public as a green space.
The area is already over developed, we dont need anymore building
The building in this area in my opinion has gotten out of hand. We need to leave open space for our children and future generations.
The development of 2105 Creek Road would create thermal pollution and flooding from run off into the Saucon Creek which is a cold water fishery designated as a Class "A" Wild Trout stream. The section proposed for development is within the headwaters of the stream. The apartments and parking areas will result in an increased water temperature during spring, summer and fall rains. This will have a hugh impact on the future of this highly desirable trout stream. In addition to the increase in temperature of the water. The stream will see an increase in siltation as a result of the disturbance of land from development. This will create a decline in insect habit in the stream that trout rely on for food. This type of development is not suitable for this location!
The land where the developer is proposing to build is very fine marshland that routinely floods from river over flow. Why this land would be suitable for a care facility is incomprehensible. Further, Is the developer planning to pay for widening Creek Road and building a two lane bridge?
The local area already has significant traffic and population density problems, not to mention the environmental impact of working in a flood plain. Local residents and authorities have been working hard on maintaining the aesthetic beauty of the community and the rail trail and this work would go against all of this.
The peaceful serenity is why we chose to move to this area earlier this year. Building a retirement home in a flood zone sounds unethical and quite frankly an extremely selfish business venture solely based on personal greed. Bethlehem says NO.
The photo of the flood says it all!
the Plans would destroy a river marsh. This does not make sense.
The property is a flood plain, there are cattails all over the property which are indicative of wetlands.
The proposed change of zoning and construction of the building will create a significant safety hazard. Creek Road is very narrow with only room for one car to pass in certain spots. The sight lines at the corner are also very limited today. Additional building and traffic at this intersection will create an unsafe condition.
The rezoning and development will only create more impervious surface, and it will be the Borough of Hellertown that receives the consequences of more flooding, while the City of Bethlehem receives more tax revenue. It is irresponsible to cover 10 acres, all in the highest flood zone, with 40 units and 60 parking spaces, creating wetland intrusion and a traffic nightmare. The developer is exploiting the land, has no hardship, & is motivated by profit alone. Zoning exists to protect land and neighbors from such exploitation., His purchase at \$215,000 in 2017 still can be recaptured if he resells the property as a single family home. The developer has created his own hardship from which the City should not grant relief.
The roads flood enough already why would we want to make it worse?
The Saucon creek is an incredible stream that needs our protection. More runoff from that area is not healthy. Please preserve nature.
There is no reason to rezone this area. It is appropriately zoned and the proposed development doesn't not meet the requirements for rezoning.
There is too much traffic as it is! It is not good for the environment either!
There's already enough traffic in that area. I can't imagine what 40 more units would for the area.
This area cannot handle any extra traffic
This area is a flood prone area given its proximity to Saucon Creek and also I may add there is wetland on this parcel. The previous owner could not even use all of the 7 acres of land for her horses because it was always boggy and wet. I thought wetland areas are protected for wildlife and could not be disturbed.I also believe it would add a lot more traffic on Friedensville Road which is already like a highway. Do you think the people across the road from the property who paid a lot for their homes would like to see a giant building when looking out their windows? Please have some good sense and preserve the land around our beautiful area. Or are we heading to become like Bethlehem Township which is totally over developed.
This area is in a flood plane!

<p>This area needs to remain open space if for no other reason but for those that walk it to enjoy the beauty of nature. Hellertown is landlocked and these little gems of open space need to stay that way. All this said without even getting into why someone would entertain the thought of building in flood zone.</p>
<p>This development is a risk to the watershed in this area and will not handle the added traffic.</p>
<p>This development is wrong on many levels and makes no sense. Why do we have a development plans, if it is going to be bypassed every time a developer wants to make a quick buck at the communities expense. Do your job a turn down this request now.</p>
<p>This development would cause too much traffic and ruin the quaintness of the area.</p>
<p>This development would destroy the trout stream .All the water runoff would go directly into the stream.This area floods why would Bethlehem allow this.</p>
<p>This information is private and is not to be shared for any purpose other than this petition.</p>
<p>This is a flood plain, do not build there!</p>
<p>This is a floodplain. It should never be developed, nor should it be rezoned to high density style housing, which is even worse than having residential homes built in a floodplain. Saucon Creek, a Class A trout stream, would be in danger of contamination. There are Lehigh track students that run along Creek Rd. More traffic would endanger them. Accidents would occur at Creek &amp; Freidensville Rds.</p>
<p>This is a horrible idea. This is a flood plain, will destroy the environment and the creek cause traffic issues on a road that cannot handle the traffic already. Maybe a few more speed bumps. Was there a traffic study, environmental impact study done. How about trying to pull out on Friedensville Rd and the impact on the new bridge and park in Hellertown. Scrap this plan now</p>
<p>This is a rural area that need to rural. Developers have a way of twisting the fact about water flow and run off rates. more roofs &amp; more concrete =more flooding and more road repairs</p>
<p>This is a terrible proposal -- I run and walk and drive that road, and frequent the nearby park on Water Street. To call it low-lying is an understatement -- the house currently near there is unlivable. There is no infrastructure support, and the traffic on that road is already formidable, esp when sporting events are happening. The road is narrow, old and running along a soggy strip of land.</p>
<p>This is not an area for this type of development. It will ruin the neighborhood for everyone and add traffic that the roads cannot handle.</p>
<p>This is on a flood plain that floods at least once a year..I have lived here for 30 years and this property is not suitable for housing. Plus the protection of the saucon Creek is paramount for the area.</p>
<p>This isn't a good plan for this location.</p>
<p>This land has never been built on for a reason. I have lived on Creek road for 63 yrs. and my family before me. The Saucon overruns it's banks several times a year EVERY year. And not by a little! If you allow the filling in of this land the creek will push that much more to overrun properties downstream which happens to be me. It will have nowhere else to go. Not only that but where do you want the runoff to go? Just a few yards upstream is protected swamp which this low area is a part of. On top of that, Creek rd. is a little more than an oversized tractor path, which it was when I was a kid. It is overused now and cannot handle more traffic without major modifications. Homes are right on the edge of the road so widening it would not be easy. There is also a heavy pedestrian presance which is already complicating without sidewalks. This property was vacant for a reason long ago. This contractor should have done a little more reasearch. We residents should not have to suffer so he can recoup his cost. And also, the city should not help him ruin an already endangered beautiful area.</p>
<p>This land should not be turned into commercial land, IF, even for the fact it is prone to flooding but the wildlife there.... Big developers have desecrated our Lehigh Valley with their building. Lets deny them this one, enough of this in the Hellertown/Lower Saucon area all ready.</p>
<p>This parcel is one of the remaining pleasant semi-rural oases in the area, and the area already has several high density apartment and/or housing developments.</p>
<p>This plan is a disaster waiting to happen!</p>

<p>This property is located entirely within the 100 year flood plain with a major portion of the property located in the floodway of the flood plain. As a City Planner for the City of Bethlehem for 34 years and a resident of the Saucon Creek area for 45 years, I have studied the area and witnessed extensive flooding many times. This property is entirely unsuitable for development of any kind. Any development will cause additional flooding for other properties located along the Saucon Creek.</p>
<p>This property should not be rezoned. It is NOT in the best interest of the public. A very bad idea and poor planning, especially in light of the flood plain. Please deny.</p>
<p>This proposed rezoning will potentially lead to increased flooding on Creek Road, will cause traffic problems on Creek Road and along Water Street, and will adversely affect the natural beauty of the area as well as the wildlife.</p>
<p>This rezoning request for the development proposed contradicts the city's zoning ordinance, threatens to destroy one of the few remaining natural areas inside City of Bethlehem corporate limits, negatively affects the natural environment, damages the Saucon Creek watershed, and increases traffic and that impact on the three municipalities (City of Bethlehem, Hellertown and Lower Saucon Township) that abut in that area. It should be DOA on arrival before the City.</p>
<p>This should never happen.</p>
<p>This site is not approved for development, sits in a flood plain and has an abundance of wildlife and trees. Any development would cause significant distress to the area and the natural setting, as well as significant flooding concerns.</p>
<p>This would be a disaster for our community and for Creek Road</p>
<p>This would be an awful waste of a beautiful area and road to rezone this large lot as commercial. Maintain the beauty of our area, don't destroy it! There are already two large complexes on and near the road. Please, NO MORE!</p>
<p>Too much land being taken away. Need open space.</p>
<p>Too much traffic</p>
<p>Too narrow, too busy with walking traffic heading to rail trail, and prone to flooding to add additional high density apartments... Hellertown Borough is against the Development as well</p>
<p>Totally against development</p>
<p>Traffic is already too busy on that road. Plus, we need the open space to allow for water absorption.</p>
<p>Traffic, police, fire department concerns</p>
<p>We are congested enough. Please, vote No!</p>
<p>We are new to the area, but have come to love walking along Creek Road. It is a beautiful historic area whose character would be permanently altered by the proposed development. Please do not approve the zoning change.</p>
<p>We are paying extra taxes to keep our open spaces. This proposal is contrary to residents' wishes to keep natural spaces open and carefully monitor land development</p>
<p>We are the direct next door neighbors and have been opposed to his so far two iterations of proposed development - one into 9 lots and now this one with the zoning change. Clearly neither is appropriate for the area and if you reference the verbiage of the Bethlehem city zoning overlay written into the zoning code after the last development allowed in the area, you will see that there is a stated desire to protect the unique environmental and historical qualities of this unusual part of the city. Thanks.</p>
<p>We move to this location since it was rural and it should stay that way! We do not need any more townhouses or structures such as warehouses ruining the beautiful open space we have, not to mention destroying our precious wildlife.</p>
<p>We need to keep that space open. Building there will just make flooding worse.</p>
<p>We need to preserve this area.</p>
<p>We won't let our township become another Allentown. Developers don't get to make the rules!</p>
<p>Why do we want to develop this area, for profit!</p>
<p>Why would anyone want to build new homes on a flood plain? If the variances are granted, the taxpayers should not be held liable when the property is flooded, and this must be disclosed when the properties are sold. The builder should also be responsible for upgrading the road past the property. Building on the flood plain may also cause existing homes along Creek Road to be flooded. Is the builder going to be held responsible for that?</p>

Will be at both meetings in Bethlehem. There are numerous legal reasons why this proposal to change the zoning should be denied. The environmental, flood Traffic, water and sewage, FEMA permitting and insurability issues are multiple and the consequences of ignoring these issues and allowing the rezoning are potentially disastrous.

will become to dangerous for Lehigh runners, those of us that run/bike and the environment that is so precious in Saucon Creek.

Worried about all the traffic. This area is already congested. Please no more housing.

Worst thing that could  
Possibly happen to Hellertown