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To:  
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Urban Center Development at Point Wells  
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Dear Mr. Eastin,

Our family has lived in Richmond Beach for 14 years. We have two children and spend a lot of our time walking along Richmond Beach Road to the Library, the Library Park, and other local points of interest. We are employed as educators in Shoreline and Edmonds Public Schools and often ride our bicycles along Richmond Beach Road on our way to and from work. During our time living here, there have been numerous accidents and a several of fatalities along the western stretch of Richmond Beach Road.

Another worrisome stretch of road is the high traffic area between Richmond Beach Road and the Saltwater Park via 20th Ave NW. This is the four way stop that allows drivers to turn to Woodway or to the Saltwater Park. There is a pedestrian walkway that is usually full of families walking to the Saltwater Park. It is a narrow road and cars are often swerving to avoid hitting one another, leading to close calls with the pedestrians.

When we consider the possibility that traffic in Richmond Beach may increase from 500 trips a day to 10,000 trips a day on Richmond Beach Road, we are deeply concerned for the welfare of our family and the impact it will have on our daily lives as parents and pedestrians. Undoubtedly, the increase in traffic along Richmond Beach road will cause not only longer delays, but increased danger to pedestrians and bicyclists. Furthermore, we believe that if there is ever a disaster such as an earthquake that impacts Richmond Beach, the increase in population and traffic will lead to dire complications providing aid.

We're confident that you have received numerous letters from our neighbors detailing Richmond Beach's opposition to the specifics of the current proposal to develop Point Wells. We oppose this misguided plan that will undoubtedly lead to more accidents, less security, and a degraded way of life. We urge you to immediately throw out this dangerous plan to develop Point Wells and work with your Shoreline neighbors to come up with a sensible, smart, and safe plan.

Sincerely,

Frank and Jennifer Kleyn