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Hi, Ms. Israel.

I am writing to voice my concern about the request for public reaction to quite vague plans for developing the foothills in Georgia. The plans are quite vague and give nothing specific for the public to react to. This undermines the ability of the public to react to specific plans, and seems like a way for developers or government agencies to implement short term, financially beneficial plans with short-sighted views of the long term impact on the region. I wonder if those interested in implementing this plan even have any real ties to Georgia. If they did, they would certainly not want to engage in projects which could result in the destruction of this large swathe of land which is so important to this state and to its inhabitants, from the psychological, social, cultural and economics of tourism impacts. In any case, Georgians deserve to know the details and specifics of every stage of this development process and not be forced to give their approval with insufficient information. I, for one, will not give my approval. However, I am sure that many, not wanting to spend the time to really look into the lack of details on this project, will give their consent without understanding the impact of doing so.

I urge you not to move forward with this project without offering the public more information as to what they are being asked to approve of.

Thank you for your interest.

Sincerely yours,

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