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Comments: As a homeowner in Elkai Woods at Widgi Creek Golf Course, I am writing to support the proposed restrictions on camping in the woods across Century Drive from my home. I am very concerned about the current dispersed camping situation in the area for the following reasons:

1. Fire danger. In the dense forest, the risk of wildfire from these unimproved campsites is deadly. Campfires are burning over there every night. Being surrounded by forest, our residents would have few defenses against a fast moving fire and the risk to life and property is very real.
2. Scenic blight. This is a recognized and highly traveled scenic highway corridor. In addition, many bicycles travel the adjoining paths. The dispersed camping, vehicles, tents, and debris are unsightly and deleterious to the view shed.
3. Sanitation. There are no sanitation facilities. While transient campers in motor homes MAY carry out their waste, I feel sure that the gathering of campers in that area will result in unsanitary conditions, that impacting hikers, walkers, bikers and the environment.
4. Safety. I am an elderly single woman, I will be living in my Elkai Woods town home full-time within a few months. Will the dispersed campers bring safety concerns for me and my property?

For the stated reasons, I believe that area is not suitable for dispersed camping. There are many other appropriate areas that can be used for dispersed campers -- areas that do not threaten long-term permanent residents

Respectfully,

Diana Hall