

To Whom It May Concern,

I recently received the information packet from the City regarding the Same Old Road Area Drainage project. I have two trains of thought about this.

First: I was surprised to hear it described as worthy of such a project and expenditure. It does not seem "much needed," as it does not seem to have the support of those whose properties will be most impacted by the ditching and drainage.

This road has never been a top priority for maintenance/grading and in fact, is usually one of the last roads serviced as it stays in fairly decent shape, considering other roads that are more heavily traveled. Over years of maintenance, grading and additional loads of gravel, it has been greatly improved by Ponch and Justin. Wouldn't more regular grading/gravel achieve the goal of improved conditions in a less destructive manner at a lower cost?

Secondly: If we have funding for ditching projects, I think it prudent to look at the big picture and not commence piecemeal drainage projects without a Comprehensive Plan. One that prioritizes the health and safety of the community.

I believe that time and money would be better spent by figuring out a Comprehensive Drainage Plan to address the known, highly contaminated residential site within this neighborhood and others, as well as limiting distribution of PFAS contaminated airport runoff. Unfortunately, we know all too well that PFAS is a known health hazard.

When the initial Super Fund cleanup was done at the airport, the contaminated soil was moved and contained and a large capacity drainage ditch was created to handle the PFAS contaminated runoff, away from private properties. This is where we should be directing all drainage from this area.

The City's Same Old Road Drainage Plan seems to be the opposite of containing PFAS. We would have known contaminants being stirred up and knowingly redirected onto uncontaminated residential properties. Please understand that spreading PFAS is a serious concern in our neighborhood and community. The water in Glen's Ditch is being regularly monitored for PFAS from the airport runoff by Shannon and Wilson from Anchorage and there are a number of residential wells in proximity to the ditch.

Glen's Ditch is an ADF&G designated fish stream which limits dredging and adding drainage without oversight and permitting from DEC. Glen's Ditch is not the place to divert potentially PFAS infused drainage.

Again, if we have funding for ditching, we should first draw up a Comprehensive Drainage Plan to safely divert road drainage to the ditch constructed East of the airport, for the polluted drainage that we know is already being monitored in our city's ditches and culverts.

Sincerely,

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