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Dear Mr. Green,

I received a letter about a the planned housing on 105 between Rockbrook and Red Rocks Ranch Road.

I would like you to know that I am against the proposition of creating lots smaller than 2.5 acres in the area between in this area. This will not only increase the traffic in this area considerably, but will also change the character of the existing neighborhood. We moved to the Palmer Lake area for the environment. Although I know that this area will be developed, 38 lots is a significant change to the area.

This proposed area surrounds a creek that is one of the tributaries of Fountain Creek. I'm sure you are aware of the value of riparian areas. Not only does healthy riparian vegetation helps to reduce stream erosion and protect the quality of water, but it is also valuable habitat for wildlife. At this time we have mountain lions, bears, deer, fox, herons and a myriad of other wildlife that depend on this area. By removing vegetation and adding a large population to the area, we will be losing a natural resource that we should be working hard to protect. The amount of housing suggested would greatly affect animal habitat and water quality, something that would be very difficult to replace in the future.

I would appreciate if those who have the authority to oversee land use in this area would think about sustainable development and consider the impact of such a large development on the fragile ecosystem of this area.

Thank you for your time,
Patt Kupka