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Mr. Howser,

Canterbury Drive in Monument, Colorado, is a narrow, winding, rural residential road. Most days, it is used by walkers, bicyclists, and horseback riders. During Colorado Pumpkin Patch season/events, the sheriff's department places a speed-monitor trailer in front of our house to deter speeding. This trailer is placed on top of a hill, producing a "choke point" of heavy, two-way vehicle traffic, making it dangerous for drivers, walkers, and horseback riders. With no shoulders on either side of Canterbury Drive and steep ditches, this is a very unsafe situation. This is one of many issues created by the increased traffic on this neighborhood road.

We are opposed to any increase in Colorado Pumpkin Patch operations. We have been made aware by the El Paso County Planning and Community Development, that the Colorado Pumpkin Patch owner(s) have already breached their current event permit: exceeded the 50-vehicle-at-a-time rule (300+ vehicles at a time have been photographed), have not provided a paved and/or grassed parking lot, have not planted trees to help mitigate excessive amounts of dust created by the vehicles, to name just a few violations.

Under the current Colorado Pumpkin Patch permit agreement, we request that a Highway 105 special-event entrance be created, with traffic directed by the sheriff's department, and paid for the Pumpkin Patch. This temporary entrance for up to 50 vehicles at a time would not be a problem.

Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter, and please feel free to contact me with any questions.

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