

June 12,2024

Board of County Commissioners

RE: Letter of Opposition for the Lazy Y Rockin' J RV Park

I am writing this letter on behalf of the Peyton School District 23JT. My name is Derek Burnside and I am the superintendent at the Peyton School District. I fervently support local business and enterprise, and want what is best for the Peyton community and district. Still, in this instance, the Flying Y Rockin'RV Park would cause a myriad of issues for the Peyton School District. Issues that are not in the best interest of our students, families, and parents.

The proximity of the proposed RV park will cause increased traffic on our already busy thoroughfares such as Bradshaw Rd. and Highway 24. This increased traffic, especially with large trailers and RV's, will hamper the ability of the school district to effectively transport students. Adidonally, more traffic on the road with young drivers could lead to more accidents. The Peyton School District is diligent in our work to keep students and staff safe. With the introduction of an unvetted and temporary form of housing, such as an RV park, there could be individuals who could be considered a threat or unsafe to our students or schools. There is no effective way to ensure that the people staying in the park or coming in and out of the park are truly safe community members.

Lastly, there are four RV parks within a 25 mile radius of Peyton. Those parks have access to larger metropolitan areas and the resources and infrastructure needed to support the park. With Peyton being unincorporated, there are not enough resources to support the park and guests. It will put a strain on our limited local businesses and resources.

In conclusion, the implementation of the Rockin'rv Park does not align with the community values or make up of Peyton. The Peyton Community is extremely close knit and supportive of the school district. Whatever affects the Peyton Community, positive or negative, also affects the Peyton School District. Thank you for your consideration.

If you have any questions please contact me at 719-749-2330 or at derekburnside@peyton.k12.co.us. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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