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Subject: 2,000 Homes Planned Near Cole and Lake Hazel Roads

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I was told that a letter was sent out to homeowners in our area informing everyone about a meeting in regard to this proposed subdivision (where actually only 3 or 4 people attended who said they all were in favor of the development.) We did not receive any notice of this meeting nor did any of our immediate neighbors. While I'm not opposed to developing this area and realize that it will happen at some point. I think 2,000 homes is too much for that area.

My main concerns are:

- The increased traffic and noise that will be added on Cole Road, which is already way over capacity and a nightmare to drive.
- Possible restrictions on the military operations at Gowen Field, some residents are already
 upset about the noise level and more population here will increase the pressure to move
 this activity to Mountain Home.
- Annexation by the City of Boise would significantly increase our taxes. A lot of us in the established subdivisions are on fixed incomes with no resources for this added burden.
- Something that also needs to be considered is water. The State trying to reduce our irrigation in the Treasure Valley and the only explanation is that they need the water for new subdivisions. We need to conserve our resources so we don't find ourselves in a situation like California.

We feel that the last thing the southwest area needs is more homes without supporting the infrastructure. We'd need grocery stores, restaurants and other stores so that we don't have to drive so far or we can walk or improve public transportation. There are so many homes being built in the valley now but the job growth just doesn't warrant even more construction.

Thank you. Leonard & Patricia Kopp Indian Lakes