

Monica Hawkins

From: Dr. Carey Landreville <careyl@efni.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 31, 2021 8:42 AM
To: Monica Hawkins
Subject: FW: End of Stepping Stone Lane- cars owned by people enjoying the trails
Attachments: End of Stepping Stone Lane

Dear Monica Hawkins,

I have attached a pic to demonstrate how popular these trails are. These cars are owned by people using the trails at the end of Stepping Stone Lane.

I am writing this letter as a concerned resident living and paying taxes in Corbeil in the Municipality of East Ferris. I would like to submit these queries in regards to the 'Algonquin Land Claim meeting ' with the MNRF Land Claims and Treaties Division on February 4, 2021.

- 1 In an era promoting environmental sensibility and responsibility why would this Algonquin/lawyer group be so irresponsible to even propose a major housing development on environmentally sensitive land along the Mattawa River?
- 2 Has this Algonquin/lawyer group had an environmental impact assessment/analysis prepared regarding lakefront land (parcel 83F-1 and 83 F-2) or any of the other lands in question?
- 3 Were there any consultations with the North Bay Mattawa Conservation Authority (NBMCA) regarding the impact on the proposed development site(s). If not, why not? And if so , what are the views and recommendations of the NBMCA regarding this major housing development on the lake/river?
4. Why would this Algonquin/lawyer group not consider doing the right thing and commence developing their housing aspirations in a more appropriate location such as inside Algonquin Park or somewhere suitable for a housing development. This location is not appropriate.
5. Has anyone in this Algonquin/lawyer group ever walked along this parcel (83F-1 and 83F-2) of land. If so have they not noticed how extremely rocky and hilly this area is? Have they ever contemplated the extreme cost and difficulty in developing this area into a major housing development? Quite absurd really!

Comment: Developing this area is extremely irresponsible and environmentally unsound. As it stands, these picturesque Stepping Stone trails draw residents to live in this area as well as attracting outdoor enthusiasts. This Algonquin Land proposal will lead to excessive traffic, more noise and profound damage to the environment. It will diminish the whole living experience in the area and will make living in East Ferris far less attractive. It is a terrible idea that will change this beautiful and historic area forever.