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I'm submitting my comments on the environmental impact of the proposed Painted Hills Development. I am opposed to the development in such a large scale since it will have significant environmental impact. My concerns include the following.

- 1. Loss of wildlife habit. With such close proximity to the Dishman Hills Conservation areas wildlife frequently travel through the Painted Hills Golf course during migration and looking for food. This development will severely limit there natural areas that are left in the south valley.
- 2. Negative impacts on our Aquifer. This area has been a natural way for mother nature to allow surface to naturally filter back down into the aquifer during Spring runoff and heavy rains. If you build the development as proposed this will severely limit that natural process. Even huge catch basins, dry wells, and small retention ponds will never be as effective as the natural ground spread across a large area. We already now the Aquifer is be depleted during hot and dry summer faster that it is refilling. This will only contribute the problem. We might notice the problem but generations down the road will!
- 3. Flood Plain reshaping. If there is 330K cubic yards of material brought in my concern is how the flood plain is reshaped and where is all that storage capacity going to be diverted to? Since I live within .2 of the Development will be house now be in a floodplain? I cant imagine dry wells, culverts, and small ponds ever being able to handle the water that could happen from a 100 year floodplain. Is it fair that the new houses, buildings, and apartments would be safe and everybody in the surrounding area could now have floodwater on there properties.
- 4. Environmental Impact of having all the additional vehicles on the roads in the Valley during construction and after.

Here are other concerns I also have: Pedestrian safety, school congestion and safety, access for emergency vehicles around the South Valley, Traffic issues with multiple intersections in the Valley not being able to handle the increase of traffic, damage to roads from that many heavy haul trucks bringing in fill.

The Valley needs to take a really hard look at its identity and not just approve every single new development especially Apartments! This beautiful and vibrant community will soon be destroyed by overbuilding! I could go on for days listing the negatives of this development and don't see any positives. The Valley is at capacity for housing!

Thank you for your time!

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