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Public Comment on KJ Annexation of 507 acres from the Town of Monroe

First of all, I am appalled by our "neighbors" in KJ for holding the scoping session during a blizzard and ice storm, putting the public in danger to attend. I DID attend the scoping session in September and planned to attend last night. However, the roads were treacherous. I drove them at 5pm and was stuck behind a Nissan Altima on Dunderberg road who couldn't even drive up the hill. This blatant disregard for public safety mirrors the blatant disrespectful attitude of KJ for anything outside their selfish, self-centered interests of their community.

If the people of Hasidic beliefs want to live in Monroe, buy a house here and live here. No problem with that. If they bought a single family house and now want to tear it down and build high density housing, that isn't the decision they made when they purchased a single family home. If they don't like single family living, then perhaps a city dwelling in Brooklyn would be where they should reside to raise their families. Monroe is not a city.

I grew up in Bergen County and residents of Rockland and Bergen counties rely on the Ramapo river for drinking water. Continued environmental violations from KJ, affect the health of the river, once again, KJ showing the utter environmental disregard for anyone outside their community.

This region cannot maintain the rapid, unsustainable growth this annexation would accelerate. The ridgeline would be destroyed, the community would be burdened with pollution from increased buses and social services would increase forcing hard working taxpayers outside of KJ to foot the bill.

I'd also like to know how a Christian can be given the opportunity to buy affordable housing in the village of KJ.

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