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To: Mayor Teresa Jacobs and Commissioners,

RE: Reams Road Property: CDR-116-09-329

Two years ago we were here fighting for the west side of our community and now we are here to fight for the east side of it. Our community is a peninsula off of Reams Road south of Lake Reams. This area has gone undisturbed for years and now with all this development it is impacting us greatly.

We believe the proposed Reams Road development for the parcel south of Reams Road, between The Preserve-Lakes of Windermere and Peachtree Park communities, will significantly impact surface water flow, wildlife movement and increase the risk of flooding and property damage for these residents. The area between us is a high flow wetland that drains Lake Reams to the north. Interfering with this wetland will raise the surface water level east of The Preserve and north of Peachtree Park. Over the past two years the water level has rose noticeably in this area after the development of Peachtree Park. Our residents here in The Preserve, especially on Greenbank Boulevard, experience "Squishy" back yards due to the standing water.

County staff needs to examine the multitude of environmental and hydrology issues that alone demand rejection of this proposed development.

There is a need to do a regional water flow analysis with the water table rising so much in this area. Our community is in the FEMA 50 year flood zone. We have already experienced flooding in our cul-de-sacs with just a tropical storm. This proposed development puts us in terrible danger of increased flood risk. We may be subject to higher insurance rates or even be dropped by our Flood Insurance provider. This situation effects our investment, property value and the risk of loss.

We also want to express our concerns for the Speed Limit and there variations along Reams Road. The speed limit in select areas on this road is to high and drivers continue to exceed the posted signs daily. There has been too much wildlife hit and killed by vehicles, busses dropping off our children are passed frequently, and residents are walking and biking down this road where there are no sidewalks or bike trails in many areas.

This is unacceptable and extremely dangerous for everyone traveling on this road and we ask the county staff to conduct a traffic study, find a better solution, and make it safer for all.

Sincerely,
Kelley Lumb