

## HearingComments, DNREC (MailBox Resources)

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Comments on Docket #2024-P-W-0010 -- Quarry Walk Wastewater Systems

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I have been a landowner/taxpayer in the Yorklyn/Hockessin area for 30 years. It is my intention to build and live in my hometown within the coming year. I have strong feelings of protection for this area. Not only, because I was born and grew up there but the beauty of Auburn Valley and the area around has kept its original vitality of original forest and green open fields. I oppose the plan to install sewage facilities and the plans for new construction. It is not nostalgia that prompts this comment. I understand the area has already been clear cut. Original forests are the gemstones of this land. It took thousands of years to create this treasure. Why destroy the beauty and the history? My concern is the environmental impact on our irreplaceable water source. Without permission or warning, the site is slated for holding sewage, making more demands on the water resources and tearing up of a land imprinted with the memory of a tragedy. A memorial park would be more in keeping with the spirit of the place. We ask you to NOT go forward, particularly in the secretive manner already demonstrated. The perils of gentrification are subtle but real. Once the process of overdevelopment begins, the rapacious forces are not content until every square inch of land is consumed. I am seeing the consequences of that trend here where I have watched a small town grow into a small city. The wells are now dry, we depend on a river with chemically treated water. Taxes are sky high. Industries have moved in. Farmland vanished. Traffic is grid locked and the noise is perpetual. The cost of living is so high that a homeless veteran can't afford shelter. Protect this quarry walk land. Do not permit development that is outside the bounds of current laws of stewardship. Do a good job by foreseeing the unseen ramifications. We residents current and future are depending on you to exercise your authority. I am grateful for the opportunity for my voice to be heard.