

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE – March 26, 2010

Attention:

> Mr. Duncan McKinlay  
> Chairman of Infrastructure & Recreation Committee Town of the Blue  
> Mountains.

>

>

Dear Mr. McKinlay:

>

We are writing to you to express our concerns regarding the segment of the 9th Sideroad, between the 10th line and Duncan. As you know this is lovely country road and enjoyed by many people as it wanders down towards the Mill Creek alongside the park on the south side and our property on the north side. One of the attractions of this road is that is not paved, it is narrow, and lined with trees.

Across the big field, one can often see deer and other wild life. Ourselves and our neighbours often ride our horses down this road, and it is not unusual for people to stop to talk to us about the horses, as it is now becoming a rare thing to see horses riding on the roads. Others, not so considerately speed past, scaring the horses and ourselves. They seem to consider slowing down a sign of weakness or unnecessary compromise. The issue of speed is our main concern with the road.

A number of people drive too fast down the road. Some seem to like the challenge of driving on a steep, gravel, narrow and windy road to test their driving skills, but most may not be aware of the fact that there are many blind spots on the road, and that the speed limit is 50Km/h and not 80Km/h. In addition, we would like to discourage the double tandem gravel trucks, who use it as a shortcut as they cross the county. The road is not a suitable one for vehicles of this size and weight.

We would like to work with the town to see that 50km speed limit signs and any other suitable warnings be put on to help people reduce their speed and make the road a better experience for everyone. To this effect my wife and I would be prepared to cover the cost of installing suitable signs, and assist in any way possible to ensure that we can all enjoy this lovely part of our township.

>

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

>

Kind regards

>

Jorge & Amanda Bernhard  
587535 9th Sideroad  
Clarksburg