

February 22, 2017

Mayor Fritz Haemmerle  
Hailey City Council Members  
Hailey, ID 83333

Re: Quigley Development and Annexation Proposals

Dear Mayor Haemmerle and City Council Members:

With regard to the current proposed development and annexation of Quigley canyon, please enter the following comments into the record.

1. Quigley is the last undeveloped canyon in the Hailey area. Developing this property with homes, hotel, school, athletic fields and stores would be a travesty. The deer, elk and other animals will again be pushed farther into the canyon and/or into the east Hailey neighborhoods which have been inundated with shrub and tree-eating, starving animals. Additionally, Hailey currently has many empty business properties and the closure of King's will only add to a blight-like atmosphere.
2. Annexation of this property will unnecessarily burden Hailey's police, emergency responders and road maintenance crews, including snow removal, street maintenance, etc. We need maintenance of our existing infrastructure before unnecessarily spending City funds and staff time on a new development. The developers may pay initially, but upkeep is just around the corner.
3. Traffic is a prime concern. The Quigley property is only accessible via two entrances, both of which are already overburdened with traffic.

At the very least, the only development that should be allowed in Quigley is residential - permitted according to the County zoning ordinances. Commercial development in Quigley is a bad idea and should be completely off the table.

While the Quigley developers have presented their "dream" ideas, many, if not most, Hailey residents are appalled at the scope of this proposed development. The only benefit I can see thus far is profit for the developers, which is always the bottom line and should not come at the expense Hailey's environment and quality of life.

Respectfully,

Carol Comtaruk  
Hailey resident since 1972