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**Subject:** No jail at Aldercrest Annex!

Hello --

I am writing to express my opposition to building a jail at the Aldercrest Annex site in Shoreline. While it is true that most people don't want a jail in their backyard, the Aldercrest Annex site is truly a very inappropriate place to place a jail. It is surrounded by residential housing, including many families with children, since the Shoreline school district attracts many families. One simply does not think of a jail being sited in an area surrounded by residential housing -- it makes no sense.

In addition, it would be very unfortunate to lose yet another parcel of land used by many in the area for sports activities. My kids have played or practiced soccer at the Annex many, many times.

In summary, I hope you will agree that the Aldercrest Annex is no place for a jail!

Sincerely,

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**Subject:** No Jail in LFP/Shoreline

Why can the contract not be renewed? Not enough beds? C'mon! The homeless on the streets don't have beds.

I live in the LFP/Shoreline area - basically across the road from where a proposed jail is slated to be built.

We have already lost value in our condos due to Equity company issues and being in the midst of a lawsuit. Do you really think a jail in the neighborhood will help our property value in this already crumbling economy? We can't sell our condos now if the economy was good. As long as it doesn't affect you, who cares? Right?

There are many families in the surrounding area with children. How does it make you feel that people will no longer feel safe in a fairly quiet neighborhood? Do any of you live in this area? I doubt it. You are not putting your families at risk for potential jail breakouts, misdemeanors or not.

So it 's obvious location does matter in regards to cost. Why is it necessary to put these criminals in the middle of a residential area? The city won't be saving any more money as the community will expect a larger police force patrolling the area and making sure the area is secure 24/7. I believe it would be wise to contain the convicts in a more open - yet secure - area where they can't hide as easily if they escape. There are plenty of open spaces away from the city where criminals can be housed. The Lynnwood/Everett and Auburn/Kent areas are quite spacious in areas. You talk about saving money by building one large jail. Well, there is plenty of room to build facilities out there - and the land is less expensive. Fence the facility off in an open area where a criminal can be seen if he/she is attempting an escape. In LFP/Shoreline, good luck finding your escapee amongst all the trees and houses. Good God! With all the high rise building going on in downtown Seattle, one would think that would be an option for a facility. Maybe Paul Allen will sell you some space in his South Lake Union project.

Scenario: The hard working professional, who pays his taxes and who has never even received a traffic ticket, has a fabulous and expensive downtown condo along the Seattle waterfront with a view of the Sound - or not because it's so expensive in Seattle he has to live in Everett to get the water view and live in a less expensive home. Then, someone (i.e. government official local/state/federal??) decided it was OK to build low income housing (with the water view) for welfare recipients, in front of honest, hard working inhabitants' home. No wonder people commit crimes because they know we, the hard working taxpayers, have to pay for the food and shelter in the jail, their welfare, food stamps and medical coupons while they get to watch the world sail by and our property value decreases. How does the government see this as fair? It's not right!

For as "wealthy" as Seattle alleges, I notice how it analyzes projects to death to save a \$1.00 - which ends up costing more - and needing more to accommodate - by the time a decision is made 10+ years later and, therefore, must be reanalyzed because of inflation. But that's another issue as well. In any aspect, if the city of Seattle (and surrounding areas) would just use the money for projects at the quality they should in the first place, many of the city's issues wouldn't have to be re-evaluated over and over and the city might just save a few thousand dollars down that line instead of that \$1.00 now. Guess that just shows how cheap Seattle really presents itself. I believe this is the issue with the proposed jails.

Here's an idea or two. Enforce stricter rules /laws to make people afraid to commit any sort of crime/misdemeanors. and follow through! It's called accountability and consistency, Seattle. Therefore, potentially less people in jail. This state is considerably lacking in any sort of law enforcement - primarily traffic - but that's not the issue here. Some of these people cause crimes because of mental disabilities and can't hold a job so they find other means. Most are just ignorant and keep getting away with a slap on the hand. Let's pick a line and draw it, people!. Speaking of accountability, enforce and track longer supervised community service and/or volunteering of misdemeanants. If you're going to put these misdemeanants in a jail facility for a few days, provide (and make them go) to training and work programs to get some of them into a successful work environment - or just get a clue. I know, because half of these people are my clients. More of them try to work the system by filing for disability than trying to find work. Offer services to businesses who may potentially hire a misdemeanant either on his/her own or through a vocational/work rehabilitation program so they know how to deal with the deviant to make him/her feel successful and able to stay and handle the job.

As I stated before, there are PLENTY of high-rises going up in downtown Seattle; and PLENTY of areas further north and south of the immediate metro area. Therefore, there should be plenty of room to keep all the criminals in one place instead of scattering them throughout residential areas. Not everyone can afford the ridiculous condo prices downtown. If you're going to put welfare folks on the waterfront, why not put the criminals there too so they have a view to pass the time if the jail facilities are not willing to help rehabilitate them as well. DVR can't do it all.

If people want to live near a jail, that's their choice. It is not my choice to have a jail built in my Shoreline/LFP neighborhood. I veto this location option.

-Lorna Feldick

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**Subject:** A comment about proposed site for the new jail in UKC

Dear Sir/Madam,

I think that it is extremely bad idea to propose a site in UKC for the jail. There are 2 schools(Muir Elementary and Kamaikin Junior High), residential neighborhood, a popular park(132nd Square) within a 1 mile from the site. Every day I see children from age 7 to teen age walking to and from school along the 132nd ave without parents. No parent would feel that their kids are safe in or on their way to school if a jail to be built here. I do not understand how someone could even consider placing a jail in such neighborhood. We moved here 7 years ago, and the safety of my children was my primary concern. This place is safe now. Please, do not change that.

Julia Levenkova.  
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**Subject:** Protest about putting the jail at 13225 N.E. 126th Pl. in Kirkland

Hello,

My name is Alek Icev and my family lives in the North Rose Hill neighborhood close to the elementary school Mark Twain.

<http://www.lwsd.org/school/twain/Pages/default.aspx> at: 9525 130th Ave. N.E., Kirkland

Building a jail in a proximity (~2 miles) area to the elementary school is simply not acceptable. A lot of kids from the neighboring houses walk to the school and having a jail close to elementary school will make a lot families consider moving and a lot of business at the Totel Lake mall close due to this. This will have a devastating impact to the whole North Rose hill neighborhood.

Cheers, Alek

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**Subject:** EIS scoping comments for Unincorporated King County potential site

Hello - I live a few hundred yards north of the potential jail site in unincorporated King County in the Kirkland Totem Lake area on NE 124th Ave (I live on 133rd PI NE). I've already attended the public forums and absolutely do NOT want to see a jail literally a few hundred yards from my house. Why is this a bad decision in terms of EIS? Our neighborhood has virtually no sheriff support as is - and the inmates as they are released have no metro bus stops near this potential location. Who wants released inmates all hours of the night potentially stranded right next to my neighborhood. As a single female who lives alone, I would absolutely not feel safe and we've already had petty theft in my neighborhood since I moved here in April 2006. In addition, we have had mail theft recently and again, why increase the potential for increased theft (or worse) with a jail just a few hundred yards away releasing inmates with the little sheriff support we have now?

The roads near this potential jail site are also not built to handle the increase in traffic for the inmates arrivals/departures. In addition, the additional lighting needed around the jail perimeter would absolutely disrupt our neighborhood, especially the folks who live at the cul-de-sac of my road, just north of this site (in fact their back windows would be overlooking the jail).

This jail should be placed somewhere where the roads/surrounding area and infrastructure are already primed - why not keep this jail in Seattle as the majority of inmates will be from the city anyways? If not Seattle why not the Bellevue location which has the closest proximity to the freeways as well as NOT being a soccer field's length away from a neighborhood and park??

Please do not build this jail in my neighborhood's backyard!!!

Thank you,  
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Please accept my comments related to the proposed jail site location  
<[http://www.necmunicipaljail.org/docs/Unincorporated\\_King\\_County.pdf](http://www.necmunicipaljail.org/docs/Unincorporated_King_County.pdf)> Unincorporated King County, 13225 N.E. 126th Pl.

? ? Police—Location selected is in unincorporated king county. Unincorporated king county lacks police force for current residential issues. How will they be able to handle the potential increase of disturbances and misdemeanors to those criminals released in to our neighborhood.  
? ? Schools—Location is selected is too close to elementary and junior high schools. Less than a mile (less than 20 minutes). Children live less than a ¼ mile from the proposed jail site. Jail sites should be downtown or in a remote location.  
? ? Parks or other recreational facilities-location is less than ¼ mile from large neighborhood park (5-10 minute walk)  
? ? Transportation systems-road infrastructure cannot handle the increased traffic  
? ? Vehicular trips—Again infrastructure cannot handle increase traffic for a large jail like this.  
? ? Movement/circulation of people or goods—strangers released from jail with no place to go will come in to our residential neighborhood. Increase risk of robbery, gang activity, etc.

<[http://www.necmunicipaljail.org/docs/Unincorporated\\_King\\_County.pdf](http://www.necmunicipaljail.org/docs/Unincorporated_King_County.pdf)> Unincorporated King County, 13225 N.E. 126th Pl. site is too close to schools, parks and homes. In unincorporated king county we lack police support. Inmates being released in to our community will increase crime and gang activity. Our community should not have a jail less than a ¼ a mile from our residential neighborhood. Jails should be located in downtown Seattle or Bellevue close to courts. If mega facilities are needed downtown Seattle or Bellevue are good as you can a build up.

Thank you

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**Attachments:** NEC Municipal Jail Scoping Comments-Fairbanks.doc

Attached are our written comments on the NEC Municipal Jail Site scoping comments.

(See attached file: NEC Municipal Jail Scoping Comments-Fairbanks.doc)

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**Subject: NEC Municipal Jail Site Environmental Review  
Scoping Comments**

Dear Ms. Sugimura:

This letter represents the scoping comments of Judi and Randy Fairbanks. We have studied the various proposed jail sites, attended one of the Public Forums, and attended one of the scoping meetings. Based on this review, we have identified a number of important issues that need to be included within the scope of the EIS. These are summarized in the following paragraphs.

**Proximity to Residential Areas and Property Values**

The proximity of the jail to existing single family residences needs to be given a very high weighting among the factors considered in the EIS. At the Public Forum it was noted that there was a study which indicated that property values do not decline when a jail is developed nearby. Although this may be true for specific locations, we contend that it depends on the value of the property in question. For example, if the jail site is near residential property with a value of \$350,000 per lot, it may have only a slight effect, whereas if it is next to property with a value of \$700,000 it may have a significant effect. People shopping for higher value property are not expecting to have a regional jail within a half a mile. We believe that higher value residential property will definitely decline in value with a jail nearby.

Higher value residential property and homes are within 500 ft of the unincorporated King County site, and dozens of higher value residential properties and homes are within 750 ft. There is no question that these higher value properties will decline in value.

**Safety of Nearby Residents**

The safety of nearby residents needs to be given a very high weighting. Although representatives at the Public Forum implied there would be no safety issues, it is obvious to residents of nearby areas that there at least are perceived issues. People do not feel safe living within ¼ or ½ mile of a regional jail. The fact that the jail would only house misdemeanants does little to alleviate the fears of residents because, as it has been pointed out, about half of misdemeanor inmates have a prior felony conviction.

Factors that need to be considered in this evaluation should include: the proximity of existing single-family residential areas, the level of lighting in nearby residential areas, the level and quality of bus service (especially at the times that prisoners would be released), the existing level of police protection, and the proximity of neighborhood parks, elementary schools, and junior high schools. Consideration should also be given to the percentage of children that walk to and from the local schools. Finally, consideration should be given to the level of use of nearby parks by children vs. adults.

For example, 132<sup>nd</sup> Square Park, which is less than ¼ mile from the unincorporated King County site, is very heavily used by small children. Similarly, John Muir Elementary School and Kamiakin Junior High School, which are both less than 5,000 ft from the unincorporated King County site, have a very high percentage of children who walk to school, and many walk within ¼ mile of this jail site.

Regarding the level of police protection, it should be noted that residents near the unincorporated King County site are protected only by the King County sheriff's department, whereas the other sites have local police departments. The unincorporated King County site represents a sliver between the cities of Kirkland, Redmond, Woodinville, and Bothell and, to some degree, represents a "no-man's land" when it comes to police protection.

### **Energy Consumption and Carbon Footprint**

An evaluation needs to be made of the total fuel consumption that would result from the selection of the different sites. This is related to how central each site is to the inmates that would be housed. The number of vehicle-miles should be estimated for police, attorneys, families, employees, and others who will need to drive to the jail site.

In addition to fuel consumption, the long-term carbon footprint of each site needs to be considered. Since the proposed regional jail will be in operation for decades, the energy consumption related to travel to/from the jail and the total carbon emitted to our atmosphere will be substantial and the comparison of the energy consumed and carbon emitted are extremely important considerations for each site. The effect of these long-term carbon emissions on climate change should be considered.

For example, sites at the edge of the weighted service area would result in much greater energy consumption and carbon emissions than sites that are more central. The Seattle and Bellevue sites should rate best in this regard, since about 80% of the inmates will come from these areas and travel would be minimized.

### **Freeway Congestion**

As noted above under energy consumption and carbon footprint, the level of travel required by all vehicles accessing the jail, is related to how central the jail is relative to the locations of most inmates. In addition to energy consumption and carbon footprint, this issue relates to the incremental level of increased traffic on I-405, I-5, I-90, and other major highways.

### **Displacement of Current Businesses**

The impact on existing businesses that occupy the site is very important. For example, a business like Waste Management, which occupies the unincorporated King County site, would have a very difficult time finding a replacement location. In addition, moving them further out would result in more energy consumption and carbon emissions related to the level of truck travel required.

### **Fairness of Location**

The fairness of the jail site relative to the location of the inmates should be a consideration in the EIS. For example, it has been noted that 70% of the inmates will come from Seattle and 10% will come from Bellevue. Therefore, the Seattle and Bellevue sites cover 80% of the inmates and are the most centrally located. Why should a site in unincorporated King County, which will not contribute to the jail and is on the outskirts of the serviced area, be taxed with housing the jail?

**Environmental Elements**

Based on the points made above, the following additional Environmental Elements should be analyzed in the EIS, in addition to the ones identified in the preliminary Elements of the Environment handout we received at the scoping meeting:

- Air, including Air Quality and Climate
- Population and Housing (including property values)
- Recreation (use of adjacent parks, neighborhood walking)

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments on the scope of the EIS.

Sincerely,

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For starters, I am very offended by this whole process. The announcement was made on the news, and within two months—two months that were over the HOLIDAYS!—you've had all the meetings that will stand for anything. The intent of these meetings was not made clear as to what they were supposed to do for us, and what was expected of us, until we were at the meetings!!! Then, you had us talk to a faceless camera, and at no time has it been made broadly public who the selection committee was that suggested the Aldercrest Annex as a proposed site!! They must be awfully proud of their selection that they want everyone to know who they are!!!!

It's like in first grade, when you take that first big test—which one does not belong?—let me think about this—the one with all the little houses all around it, with the school, and the park across streets from it; or the other five that have industrial complexes, and dirt lots, or freeways, and skyscrapers, or a jail for its neighbor!!!!

I can't believe that anyone with half a brain would ever even have it cross their mind to suggest this site as a possibility. It is completely surrounded by a neighborhood, and they want to put a jail there!!! It's a school, for goodness sakes—that's an ideal transformation if I've ever heard one!!!!

I was at the meetings, and I think most of the arguments have been made against the wisdom of this choice. There's the environmental problems; the infrastructure problems; the transportation problems, and traffic, and cost of transporting all the criminals, their lawyers, and all the given personnel that will be required to sustain this institution, to this destination. But the biggest argument should be the societal problems it will cause in the neighborhood—it will no longer be a neighborhood—that is what we all have been trying to tell the faceless “choosers” of the site—we will lose our community. That should end the environmental impact study right there in regards to this site. We are the only site area that has a historical and established area of residence! Of all the sites, the remaining five areas will still be the non-residential areas that they are presently, with the nearest resident, at the least, across a four-lane street or freeway. Just to have a four-lane street come into existence at the Shoreline site would require residents losing homes and/or property to accommodate that happening. Of all the sites, ours would be the one MOST impacted—because you would directly take away our neighborhood, our neighbors, and our sense of neighborhood. Of all the things listed, this has to be the most valuable one, and ours would be the most intimately destroyed!!!!

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**Subject:** Jail Impact on a Residential Neighborhood

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This is a follow-up to my earlier letter. I want to re-emphasize that you must include the impact on a residential neighborhood and residential property values in your EIS analysis as an optional analysis under WAC 197-11-440 (8). This is especially important for the Shoreline site where the jail would be sited in the middle of a residential neighborhood. At public meetings discussing the initial site selection criteria, the NEC referenced a faulty DOJ study. As noted in my earlier letter, this study did not look at any sites comparable to the heavily residential Shoreline site. The DEIS would be deficient if it didn't consider this impact now.

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Good morning,  
Please find the attached EIS Scoping Comments regarding the proposed jail siting from the City of Mountlake Terrace. A hard copy has been placed in the mail.

Thank you,  
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**Re: NEC Regional Municipal Jail - EIS SCOPING COMMENTS  
Related to the proposed site in Shoreline (25<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE and NE 200<sup>th</sup> Street)**

Dear Ms. Sugimura/Mr. Ishizaki:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on the scope of the EIS to be prepared on the proposed Jail Siting process. The identified Shoreline site is very close to the City of Mountlake Terrace and, therefore, is of particular interest. Our scoping comments are made in the spirit of helping to ensure that the EIS adequately evaluates potential impacts, especially with regard to the City of Mountlake Terrace.

Please be aware that our city adopted a new Town Center Plan, as part of our Comprehensive Plan, in 2007, and the plan includes an area along 244<sup>th</sup> Street SW (aka 205<sup>th</sup> Street NE) that is very near the Shoreline site. The Mountlake Terrace Town Center Plan calls for redeveloping the area in a manner that is vibrant and walkable. Furthermore, other areas of Mountlake Terrace that are near the Shoreline site are primarily residential.

Most importantly, we think the EIS should compare the various alternatives from the perspective of minimizing the number of vehicle miles traveled. This would include consideration of locating the jail nearest to the facilities it will serve the most, thus resulting in less greenhouse gases from transportation.

Below are more specific comments.

Land Use

- Evaluate the impact on locating this facility in a predominately residential area.
- Consider that the immediate surroundings include wooded areas and creek drainage.
- Evaluate the impact on the Seattle Child Center, located immediately north of subject site on NE 200<sup>th</sup> Street.
- Evaluate the impact of a jail on Mountlake Terrace's nearby Town Center, which is planned to become a vibrant, walkable downtown.

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- Assess the loss of this open space for regional recreation facility use and other community related functions.
- Evaluate the impact on Bruggers Dog Park immediately east of the subject site on 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue NE.

#### Public services

- Address whether the facility would, now or in the future, incorporate a work release facility associated with or nearby the jail. Quantify the impacts this would have on the City of Mountlake Terrace and neighboring communities.
- Evaluate the impact to public services of Mountlake Terrace, Shoreline and Lake Forest Park for additional residents who are released from the facility and continue to live in the area.

#### Utilities

- Conduct a fire flow capacity analysis to determine adequacy of water volume, pressure and flow to serve the full range of facility needs, including but not limited to fire suppression.
- Evaluate the downstream storm water system infrastructure and capacity.
- Assess the upstream storm water quantities to be conveyed through the site and the impacts on the site infrastructure design.

#### Economic/Commerce

- Conduct an economic vitality assessment to quantify the economic loss on redevelopment opportunities in Lake forest Park, Shoreline and Mountlake Terrace by the siting of such a facility.
- Itemize and quantify the financial loss to local jurisdictions, including Snohomish and King Counties, from among other, lost revenues from sales tax, property taxes, special district taxes, permitting fees, use fees in the immediate area and the impact on surrounding facilities (such as the Mountlake Terrace Recreation Pavilion, which is heavily used by families throughout the King and Snohomish County region) due to the impact of the jail siting.
- Conduct an economic feasibility assessment on each of the proposed sites. The assessment should include factors such as the cost of staff and vehicle and resources consumed transporting persons to and from the jail facility.
- Quantify the impacts on land values of surrounding properties within ½ mile of the facility (economic loss from proximity to jail site, impact of change in views, lighting conditions, traffic, storm water runoff, increased security needs by residents etc).

#### Environment

- Quantify and evaluate the proposal's storm water runoff volumes and water quality impacts to McAleer Creek and Lake Washington. Include jail site and all off-site (such as public street) improvements.
- Determine the flooding impacts to the site and surrounding area from the creation of a highly impervious facility (in lieu of the predominately pervious site).

- Identify what the off-site and night sky impacts are. Discuss and quantify how no net new night sky illumination can be maintained.
- The Shoreline site is viewed by the surrounding area as it has a lower elevation. Discuss the visual impact of a jail facility vs. the current landscape from the surrounding area (including from Lake Ballinger Way NE).
- The Shoreline site itself allows territorial views, especially from the north side on NE 200<sup>th</sup> Street to the east, south and west. These would no longer be available. Describe the impact of that loss on the community as a whole.

#### Transportation

- Evaluate the travel distances and frequency of trips from the cities that most often require use of the proposed jail facility – this location seems to be at the edge of the subject service areas. Assess what the gas emissions/climate change impact of the location is based on trip distribution.
- Identify what the public transportation options to this and other proposed jail sites are. For example, how many visitors to the jail will require public transportation to the site?
- Evaluate the capacity of the access roads (25<sup>th</sup>, 244<sup>th</sup>, 200<sup>th</sup>) which are all “under-improved” (no curb, gutter, sidewalk or full street paving).
- Evaluate off-site parking impacts.
- Evaluate the site’s link to the full range of multi-modal transportation elements – are they present? How do other proposed site locations compare?
- Analyze trip generation from facility users, including employees, delivery vehicles, visitors, etc. Jails typically have a lot of in and out, frequent short-duration trips.
- Identify, quantify and assess the impact of cut through-traffic by users attracted to the facility from the north (through Mountlake Terrace or along city limits) and from the north portion of Shoreline.

Please feel free to contact me or Senior Planner Edith Duttlinger at 425.776.1161 if you have questions.

Sincerely,



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**Date:** 1/30/2009 9:16 AM  
**Subject:** Proposed Jail Site at Totem Lake

To Whom it may Concern,

I have just learned of the proposed jail site in the Totem Lake Area at 13225 NE 126th Pl. While no one wants a jail to be near them, there are many reasons why this location should not have a jail.

This site practically borders a residential area and is within walking distance to neighborhood parks, an elementary school, and a junior high school. Secondly, the Totem Lake area is plagued with heavy congested traffic. I can only image sitting in my car with my children and having the next vehicle over holding a prisoner that is being transferred in to this facility sitting next us. Additionally, I would think that King County Executive Ron Simms would agree that this location does not enhance his vision for "rails to trails" that seems to be a legacy of his. This site borders existing train tracks. I would think he could be considered a strong ally against this project.

I hope you can see why this location is not a practical location for a jail. Please consider having this site removed from the list proposed location by the North/East King Cities Municipal Jail Planning's.

Thank you,

Celia and Donald Drake

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**From:** "Ruth Barton / Loretta Graves" <lagreb@msn.com>  
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**Date:** 1/30/2009 9:38 AM  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Jail @ the Shoreline School District's Aldercrest Annex site

January 28, 2009

Re: Proposed Jail @ the Shoreline School District's Aldercrest Annex site

(2545 NE 200th Street with 22 acres)

MunicipalJailSEPA@Seattle.gov<about:blank>

To Whom It May Concern:

Please remove the Aldercrest Annex site proposed by the NEC

I am a concerned resident of Shoreline. I live in the Ballinger Neighborhood on 25th Ave NE and 205th Street. (20411 25th Ave NE)

I purchased a home here because I wanted to be in a quiet residential area, with a park, nearby schools and school bus routes, easy access to shopping and to be close to freeways.

First, the process of the selection of this site is very questionable. This site is property of the Shoreline School District. They had no knowledge that this site was even under consideration. The school district has gone on record saying the site was not up for sale and that they were considering utilizing this as an elementary school as the student population increased. This site has not been abandoned by the School District.

That being said I wish to address some of the elements of the DEIS. Please consider these comments as you make your decisions.

This site is a recreational area located in a residential area. The residents use this for soccer, baseball, cricket, sledding, flying kites and model airplanes, running track and walking dogs.

There are two schools, church and there is a Bosnian mosque within a 1/4 of a mile.

There is a park with a playground and picnic area across from the site.

The area is 95% residential.

It is an urban green space. Once it is gone it can never be replaced.

This will have negative effect on our property values.

With a 640 bed jail and around 200 employees comes the additional businesses to support the staff. (i.e. fast food, mini-markets, law offices and even bail bondsmen offices.)

This will call for rezoning of the lands surrounding the jail.

There is already heavy traffic in this area. Currently 25th Ave NE is used a school bus route. Connected by 25th Ave NE is Ballinger Way and 205th St. these roads are Metro bus routes. In addition, the WSDOT, Asplundh Tree Service and many government agencies use the fueling station at the King County shop. Increasing traffic will result in more traffic congestion, more accidents, more road repair, more noise and more air pollution.

I am also concerned about the impact on Fire and Rescue units. Adding approximately 840 people has to result in increased use of the Police and Fire units. What affect will it have on response time? Where does the funding for additional units come from?

The impact of a concrete structure in an area frequented by standing or flooding waters. (Particularly in the corner of 195th and Ballinger Way and at various points along Ballinger Creek.) On several occasions, the City of Shoreline has attempted to fix the cause of flooding in the area of 25th Ave. NE between 200th and 195th.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration of my point of view.

Loretta Graves

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**Subject:** No Shoreline Jail

Hello,

Our family lives in Lake Forest Park, about 1/2 mile away from the proposed Jail site at the Aldercrest Annex site. We frequently walk in this neighborhood and visit the park across the street from the site, the Bruggers Bog Park. Our daughter enjoys the swings and play equipment at the park. We are opposed to the proposed jail site because this area is most all residential and because of safety concerns as well as property value concerns. We also don't want to see the loss of green space that we were anticipating using once our children are older. There are other jail site options with less population impact and environmental impact. We urge you to select one of those other areas. Please consider our neighborhood and families. The Aldercrest site should not be an option.

Bob and Lisa Reeves  
19710 32nd Ave NE  
Lake Forest Park

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**Subject:** Proposed Kingsgate site

I am opposed to the proposed jail site in Kingsgate. it is too large, will make incorporatio of this area too difficult and is too near too many schools and hospital facilities witout adequate public transportation for released prisoners to return to other areas after being released.

Sincerely,  
 Lisa Kobeck

1. The jail will be too big.

The jail plans specify a 255,000 square foot building that covers more than five acres and includes 640 beds. Some jails in the U.S. house more prisoners than they have beds, with some sleeping on floors on thin mattresses.

2. Many prisoners will be released directly from the jail near where we live.

Without good public transportation to get them dispersed, released prisoners may hang around our neighborhood too long. Bus service along 124th ST NE is infrequent.

3. Crime may increase in our area.

Jail inmates may be more dangerous than stated

Although the NEC Web site states that most prisoners brought to this new jail will be those arrested on misdemeanor charges such as driving under the influence (DUI) or driving without a state driver's license (DWSL), in fact, prisoners typically have long felony arrest records for crimes such as assault, theft, break-ins, and numerous drug-related crimes.

Kingsgate and Totem Lake areas have no police force

With a jail of 640 beds, in which the average stay is only 9 days, that means about 70 inmates a day will be exiting the jail.

Currently, we are "protected" by the King County Sheriff department which is slower to respond to our 911 calls than if we had our own police force. We also understand that they recently reduced their protection for us, when property crimes occur of less than \$10,000 in value. Such cases will not be investigated unless there is an injury.

4. There are too many family-oriented functions in the area.

This includes schools, churches, parks, and other areas of concern located within about a mile (some as close as across the street) from the proposed location.

Day cares and preschools

- P Kingsgate-Totem Lake Day Care & Preschool, 12604 NE 132nd St, Kirkland
- P Totem Preschool, 12440 128th Ln NE, Kirkland
- P Elite Kids Preschool, 11711 124th Ave NE, Kirkland,
- P Totem Lake KinderCare, 11404 Slater Ave NE, Kirkland
- P Child Care Friends Play Carey, 11820 NE 145th St, Kirkland
- P Tree of Life Daycarey, 14216 132nd Ave NE, Kirkland
- P Learning Horizon Child Care and After School Learning Center, 13935 122nd Ave. NE, Kirkland

Elementary schools

- P John Muir Elementary School, 14012 132nd Ave NE, Kirkland
- P Twain Elementary School, 9525 130th Ave NE, Kirkland

Other schools

- P Northwest Aerials School of Gymnastics, 12440 128th Ln NE, Kirkland
- P Kamiakin Junior High School, 14111 132nd Ave NE, Kirkland
- P Springhurst School, 10737 124th Ave NE, Kirkland
- P Our Redeemer Christian School, 11611 NE 140th St, Kirkland
- P Parks and Recreation
- P 132nd Square Park
- P Mark Twain Park
- P Totem Lake

Churches

- P Churches
- P Christ Church Kirkland, 11725 NE 118th St, Kirkland
- P Church of Latter Day Saints
- P The Grace Church

Hospitals and care facilities

- P Kingsgate Adult Care Home, 13803 125th Ave NE, Kirkland
- P Evergreen Hospital
- P Evergreen Hospital Medical Center
- P Evergreen Hospital Medical Center: Parkinson Center, 12040 NE 128th St, Kirkland

- P Madison House Totem Lakeý, 12215 NE 128th St, Kirkland
- P Aegis of Kirklandý, 13000 Totem Lake Blvd NE, Kirkland
- P Evergreen Hospital Medical Center: Hospice Servicesý, 12822 124th Ln NE, Kirkland
- P Evergreen Community Home Health & Hospiceý, 12040 NE 128th St # 103, Kirkland

Other areas of concern

- P Kingsgate Libraryý, 12315 NE 143rd St, Kirkland
- P Kingsgate Ice Arenaý, 14326 124th Ave NE, Kirkland
- P Kingsgate Transfer Station and a park-and-ride
- P Totem Lake Shopping Mall

5. Annexation will be more difficult.

If those of us living and working here want to increase our quality of life and services available by getting our area annexed to a neighboring city, the presence of a jail will make it less attractive for annexation.

6. Total costs by the county may be far more than expected.

Although a purported reason for building a large jail is to save costs, as opposed to smaller jails built and maintained by individual cities, those cost savings may be lost because of the logistics needed to move prisoners back and forth to far-off court facilities.

7. Helpful services for prisoners lacking.

It is expected that many of the inmates arrested and brought to the new jail will be in desperate need of counseling, psychiatric evaluation, and treatment. They may struggle with addiction and other issues. Some may be mothers who need to be near their families. Such services and access are not in abundance in our area.

8. Land-use issues may not be met.

Environmental issues, such as local wildlife, are of concern; but legal experts have brought to our attention there are probably other complicated legal land-use issues that can have a great impact on the decision to construct a new jail. Those making the decision should be aware of them to ensure a sound basis for their choice.