





Belmead CZ2001 does not comply with these two parts of the Sussex County Zoning Code required for C-4 Commercial Districts:

I. "adequate existing or planned infrastructure" Route 24 and the Love Creek Bridge have no set date to begin construction for dualization according to DelDOT; the 2-lane portion of Rt 24 & Love Creek Bridge are at or near road capacity; other approved developments will soon have it over capacity; Belmead's application estimates their development completion date as 2032. Infrastructure capacity projects that do not yet even have an estimated start date cannot be counted as planned infrastructure.

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2. Lacks interconnectivity with adjacent parcels.

Additional Concerns:

• Safety, especially for school children/busses due to location near the Love Creek Elementary School and adjacent to Beacon Middle School; we do not want school children crossing Rt 24 to go to a fast food place!!!

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- Traffic: Those traveling on Rt 24 from Districts 3, 4 &5 will have delays due to the traffic bottleneck at Love Creek Bridge. Several subdivisions will have extraordinarily long wait times to turn onto Rt 24. (Hart's Landing will have over a 9-minute wait time to turn right onto 24 on a Summer Saturday & over 8 minutes Monday-Friday pm rush hour.) • Rt 24 as a primary evacuation route for **Southern Sussex County.**
- EMS & Fire response times will increase due to traffic.

Additional Concerns:

Pollution/Quality of Life: light pollution, noise pollution, pollution of Dorman Banch of Love Creek and into Rehoboth Bay.

- Farmland turned into acres of impervious surface.
- Removal of 5 acres of mature forest, reducing stormwater absorption, increasing risk of flooding & removing critical wildlife habitat.

Belmead will be the first C-4 Commercial District to come to a vote in the Council. The Council will be setting a precedent for other C-4 applications that will be coming in the future.



Interconnectivity

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