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## Public Comment on Case File T2-2025-0023 – Wireless Communication Facility on NW Springville Rd

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Dear Planning Director and Review Committee,

I am writing to submit public comment regarding Case File **T2-2025-0023**, concerning the proposed construction of a **Wireless Communication Facility** by Smartlink Group ("Applicant") on parcels **13937 & 14111 NW Springville Rd**, which are zoned **Exclusive Farm Use (EFU)** and fall under multiple environmental overlays (SEC-h, SEC-s, GH).

I am a resident of the Bethany Creek Falls community whose home is in an area directly adjacent to the proposed cellular tower site. My family and I have serious concerns about the necessity of this project and we strongly object to its approval. I strongly urge the County to evaluate this application with extreme scrutiny, especially because of the parcel's and proximity to residential neighborhoods, as well as environmental sensitivities and zoning restrictions.

A major concern is the proximity of this proposed cellular tower site to the homes and parks in this neighborhood with a high population of children and families. Published peer-reviewed science has linked cell tower RF to harmful effects. Effects from RF documented in scientific research include increased cancer risk, cellular stress, headaches, sleep issues, genetic damage, changes to the reproductive system, memory deficits, and impacts to the nervous system. Many biological effects have been documented at very low intensities comparable to what people might experience within 500 feet of a cell tower. Research has found that the cumulative dose from cell tower RF can result in significant exposure over time. Our children would be involuntarily exposed nonstop day and night. A cell tower cannot be turned off or avoided like a cell phone or other device. Our children's developing brains and bodies are more vulnerable to RF radiation. My family would never consider purchasing a home near a cell tower, for these reasons. This is why we strongly oppose one being constructed near our home.

Another major concern is the visual and aesthetic impact this 100 foot structure will have in this neighborhood. There is nothing else even close to as tall as this structure in the surrounding agricultural and residential areas. It will greatly stand out and destroy the gorgeous natural countryside landscape views which are a huge draw to homeowners in the neighborhood. Preserving the integrity of this rural area is essential to maintain the value of the surrounding properties. Furthermore, the site lies within a significant wildlife habitat and ecological compatibility is crucial when considering an infrastructure project in this area.

Lastly, many of our neighbors did not understand or even see the one email provided, as it was not presented in a clear and concise manner so that all could truly understand the impact this project could have on our neighborhood. Allowing only a small window of time for homeowners to research and respond is not a transparent way to approach this case. The public deserves to have the plan presented through multiple channels and with a public hearing of some sort to provide residents with an opportunity to ask questions and thoroughly gather information on this proposal.

As a property owner in this neighborhood, I urge the county to consider these concerns before approving this project.

Sincerely,

Briana Song

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