

October 15, 2023

Marthas Vineyard Commission  
The Stone Building  
33 New York Avenue  
Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

Dear MVC,

I am writing to express concern over the potential future development at 101 Old Coach Road in West Tisbury—currently being reviewed for division into 6 buildable lots and one affordable housing lot. This development is being discussed again on October 19 by the MVC (Bangs Subdivision).

I am located at 82 Old Coach Road—and in addition to the concerns raised already around eventual use of our small dirt road for additional housing and construction vehicles (which would be detrimental to this one lane thoroughfare —as well as unsafe for children in the neighborhood), I would like to express grave concern around the location of our WELL as it relates to the potential future construction zone that is currently 101 Old Coach Road. Our well is located on the Southeast corner in the front of our property, which is directly downhill and diagonally across from the entrance road/driveway into 101 Old Coach Road (approximately 10 meters away). If and when construction was to take place, the amount of runoff, sand, silt, and debris from the location of 101 Old Coach would likely run directly into our well, causing significant issue. This is not acceptable, and I would like to request that there be a requirement put in place for any future construction located within the 101 Old Coach Road subdivision, that there be a formal plan in place (appropriately vetted, reviewed, and approved) ensuring adequate drainage to manage any potential runoff prior to any groundbreaking on any of the 6 lots or the affordable housing lot. This will ensure our access to clean water remains in place while any construction is being completed.

If you have any questions or would like to view the area of concern, please reach out to me directly at the number below.

Thank you,

**Alison Curtin**

**Island Farms Resident**

**82 Old Coach Road**

**73 Old Coach Road**

**646-919-5967**