

To the Town of West Tisbury Planning Board

Virginia Jones, Chairman  
Planning Board  
P.O. Box 278  
West Tisbury, MA 02575

**Re: Planning Board Application for a Special Permit from Paul Stuart Bangs, James Dexter Bangs and Charles Dana Bangs to Create Four Homesite Lots on Map 16, Lot 118, 101 Old Coach Road, RU District.**

To whom it may concern,

My name is Joseph D'Amico and my family owns 39 Old coach Rd. And we are a member of the Island Farms Road Association (IFRA). I'm writing you today to ask that the planning board denies the special permit requested above. The special permit requires construction of roads and the installation of utility lines on the property all of which require the use of either trailer or triaxle trucks. These trucks are extremely load, heavy and cause damage to unpaved roads. I've been in the construction business for a long time and I've seen the damage these trucks can cause to paved roads... Often, towns and cities require construction sites to lay down a section of crushed stone or riprap because they know the damage and mess construction vehicles will cause to the town roads.

As you know, the IFRA is a small residential neighborhood with sandy dirt roads that are maintained and paid for by the residents. We pay to maintain the road every year and everyone chips in for the benefit of the neighborhood. We've had issues with large puddles on certain corners during heavy rain and have finally resolved the major issues. The trucks and heavy equipment that would be traveling down our roads daily would not only destroy the dirt roads we maintain but it would also create an unsafe environment for the residents. Plus, the roads are very narrow and have tight turns that can be problematic for trucks, causing them to run over the edge and create further damage.

This project would take a long time to complete and the noise and excessive wear and tear on our dirt roads would be substantial. During rainy weather the roads get even more susceptible to damage. I sincerely hope that the planning board will deny this special permit. It will not only affect our roads and our peaceful neighborhood, but it will create an unsafe environment for the many children and families that live here for a long period of time. Thank you so much for your time and consideration on this matter. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or further insight.

Sincerely,  
The D'Amico Family