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Attention: Manager / Council

RE: SANDY POINT PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY

Please accept this letter as a formal expression of concern with respect to the safety of pedestrians and cyclists in specific reference to range road 11 (RR11) between Sandy Point Resort and Bentley 50th avenue.

In August 2021 we purchased a lot at the Sandy Point Resort and almost immediately recognized a serious safety concern with the heavy traffic on RR11. Being a lake community there is a constant flow of pedestrians and cyclists on this road going to and from the 50th avenue path to Bentley. Unfortunately the shoulder on RR11 is far too narrow to safely accommodate non vehicle traffic. With the recent approval of 250 additional seasonal sites which will exponentially increase traffic, I feel it is imperative that the County direct their attention to resolving this issue to avoid an inevitable tragedy.

I understand from informal discussions with other residents of Sandy Point that it is in the 5 year plan to add a paved walking path that will join the Sandy Point recreation area with the Bentley 50th avenue path. I feel like this would be a great solution which would not only eliminate the safety concern but add a valuable component to outdoor recreation in Lacombe County.

With the recent announcement that there will be paid parking and launch fees within Sandy Point it is clear that Lacombe County is well aware of the heavy traffic within the resort. As such it is my hope that with this knowledge, the construction of the paved path is given immediate attention.

Yours truly,
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