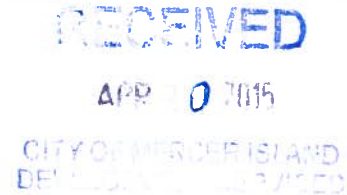


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**5428 Parkwood Lane**  
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April 16, 2015

Mr. Travis Saunders, Senior Planner  
Development Services Group  
City of Mercer Island  
9611 SE 36<sup>th</sup> Street  
Mercer Island, WA 98040



Ref.: Public Notice of Application, April 13, 2015  
FileNos.: CAO15-001 and SEP15-001  
Property 5637 East Mercer Way

Dear Mr. Saunders,

I thank you very much for informing us about the above mentioned public notice. With this letter we would like to express our concern about the permit in question.

The property 5637 East Mercer Way is on the water course which starts on S.E. 54<sup>th</sup> Street, right next to our property in the Parkwood neighborhood. This water course is very active, has already caused several mudslides, and has required repairs and maintenance work in excess of \$100,000.

We are not geotechnical engineers; neither can we estimate the effect of a construction and of additional residences on the water course. Therefore we would like to raise your attention to the problem and ask you to avoid any damage to the water course (back-up, or anything else there may be).

For any questions I am at your disposal.

With many thanks for all your trouble and kind regards

Sincerely

Yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "E. Kohen".

Eliyezer Kohen