

**From:** WGrtm Batteau <[wgbatteaurtm8@gmail.com](mailto:wgbatteaurtm8@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 18, 2021 12:17 PM  
**To:** Planning and Zoning <[PANDZ@westportct.gov](mailto:PANDZ@westportct.gov)>  
**Subject:** DOSRD

**CAUTION:** This email originated from outside of the Town of Westport's email system. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Dear P and Z members,

I am unable to attend today's subcommittee meeting but I am hereby registering my strong opposition to reclassifying the DOSRD area at Barron's South. The classification was, in fact, created to safeguard that open space area from being used as an active recreational site. When the town was considering proposals to put an expanded senior center and senior housing at that location, many residents and the majority of the P&Z commission fought that idea. A developer at that time was going to use a few acres for that purpose and then design and maintain the balance - 17 or 18 acres - as preserved open space. That was rejected by the P&Z to enable us to have a town center "urban forest". Despite objections, that solution won the day and the DOSRD category was carefully crafted to protect the land. I expect Paul and others will remember the heated hearings held by the RTM as it reviewed the situation as per resident petition.

At this time when our population is soaring, housing is expanding, traffic is barely under control, we need open space more than ever. We do not need pickleball courts or other recreational facilities at that protected site. Please do not do this.

Sincerely,

Wendy Batteau

--

Wendy Batteau  
RTM District 8