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Dear Committee,

I have been going to Cap St. Jacques park for 35 years. In the summer I go for swimming, in the winter I do cross-country skiing, and in the Spring & Fall - long pleasant walks.

When you drive along going from Blvd. St. Charles or drive along 11 Ave de Lorme going west, it is like you are in the countryside. Why would anyone in their right mind want to tear this up, to put in a massive development with 5,600 dwellings and 3 schools. This will permanently alter this pleasant tranquil area and just convert it another Montreal suburb. There will be a massive increase in traffic, as if we don't have enough problems with traffic going into town from the West Island already. The residents of this new development will be running into other Montreal litigates who are on their way to visit Cap St. Jacques park - there will be considerable traffic congestion.

Deer and other wildlife will be adversely affected or more than likely wiped out, as will some of the native plants.

What is this mentality that says every piece of free land has to be converted into development or covered with concrete. It is the last corner of

montreal Island that is untouched  
by humans.

Just leave it alone  
so that the citizens of montreal  
can enjoy this beautiful area  
without having to go off the  
island for their leisure activities.

Bruce McKenzie