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Good afternoon.

I am writing this email in response to the flyer regarding a proposed zoning amendment to allow backyard ducks.

I feel this amendment is not in the best interest of Mackenzie residents.

Here are my reasons:

1. Ducks are loud. This could cause disgruntled neighbors.
2. Ducks poop often which produces a large amount of manure. Who wants to live next to that smell or deal with the increase in flies?
3. Ducks will attract more predatory wildlife.
4. Has any research been conducted on diseases that ducks could transmit to humans or other animals?

I understand the reasons why people want to raise ducks but is there another location that would be more suitable for everyone than a backyard?

I do not think our town should become a hobby farm. Maybe the horse stables would be a better location to raise Ducks.

Thank you for the opportunity to express my thoughts.

Madeline Byrne