

## Amy Rankins

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**From:** Sally Keating [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 18, 2017 2:18 PM  
**To:** Amy Rankins  
**Subject:** Down Residence Variance Application- Comment

To Whom It May Concern:

As a co-owner of property that abuts the Dowd property to the east, my husband, Michael, and I raise concern about additional strain on an outdated septic system should added space foster additional occupancy. The structure and use of the septic was grandfathered in and, to my understanding, would not pass current standards. Malfunction of the septic would impact us directly as the septic field boundaries are close to or within our property. Even though the Dowd property is designated as seasonal, excessive seasonal use can strain an unforgiving system.

The variance does not make mention of an additional bathroom, only increase of size to the master bedroom. Hopefully, this assures that the house will not be burdened by additional occupancy. Thank you for consideration of our comment.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sally and Michael Keating

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