## **Oppose Ellis Farm Rezoning**

## 464 Manning Road, Suffolk RZN 2024-00013



A developer wants to rezone about 114 acres of agricultural land to medium density residential in order to build 300 single family homes on Manning Road, across from the Springfield neighborhood just south of the Speights Run Reservoir.

## <u>Care4Suffolk opposes this rezoning for the following reasons:</u>

- Manning Road is a narrow, rural road and the added traffic from this development will negatively impact the safety of the residents currently living on and near Manning Road.
- Kilby Shores Elementary School is already over capacity and this development would strain the school's resources further by adding 54 elementary students pushing capacity to 126%.
- This parcel is adjacent to the Speights Run Reservoir, which supplies drinking
  water to Suffolk and Portsmouth. A perennial stream bisects the property.
  Adding high density adjacent to both the supply stream and the reservoir itself
  can negatively impact drinking water.