

February 14, 2008

Mr. Paul Patterson
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Dear Mr. Patterson,

At your request we have reviewed the revised Traffic Impact Study dated, November 2007 for the Bauer Farms Development, located at 6th Street (US-40 Highway) and Wakarusa Drive. The developer for this property has presented many versions of a proposed access break at this location since August of 2004.

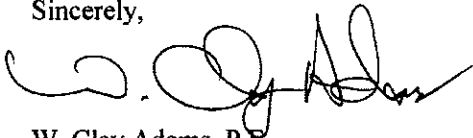
As has been stated many times before, the City of Lawrence and Kansas Department of Transportation partnered to conduct a study of the US-40 corridor. One result of this study was an access management plan which was agreed upon by all parties. That plan states that there will be no new access created except at predetermined intervals without the approval of the Secretary of Transportation. KDOT further solidified the access management plan by purchasing access control along the corridor.

At some point a compromise was reached between the developer and KDOT, with the Secretary's approval to allow for the addition of one Right in Only access at a point between Champion Drive and Wakarusa Drive. This most recent submittal has expanded the requested access point to a Right In and Right Out access and has included an additional Right in Only access to the west. The plan was reviewed with Deputy Secretary Jerry Younger, and Kansas Department of Transportation does not support this additional access as it is not in compliance with the access management plan developed for this corridor.

In addition, KDOT has concerns over the signalized intersection just north of the 7th Street and Wakarusa Drive intersection. Its proximity to US-40 will undoubtedly be detrimental to the operation of the US-40/Wakarusa intersection.

We are looking forward to working with the City of Lawrence toward the completion of the Bauer Farms project within the requirements of the previously mentioned study. Please do not hesitate to contact me with further questions and with more information on the proposed signal near 7th and Wakarusa.

Sincerely,



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