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Oronoco Township Variance request #OR2021-003VAR

OLMSTED COUNTY
PLANNING DEPARTMENT

I am addressing the above indicated variance request.

The reason for the request is to allow a home to be constructed on the 10 acre property that I own in Oronoco Township.

Better than 50% of the property is in the bluffland district and access to any of the allowed building sites would require a driveway thru the bluffland. The impact in doing so would be greater than the request I am asking for. The proposed house site is on a natural plateau that is located within the 150' shoreland district.

I believe the site proposed would have the least impact on the bluffland and would fit well with the surrounding homes. The proposed driveway would be constructed using the Best Practices for road constructed and every attempt will be made to cause minimal impact to the surrounding topography. Many of surrounding mature trees will be saved and proper precautions and measures would be taken to preserve and protect them.

In conjunction to the construction of this home and driveway I will be addressing some of the difficulties relating to the township road access and turnaround in this immediate area.

I have had a great deal of discussion with adjacent property owners and neighbors in the area and have gotten positive response from them on this proposed project.

I believe that this proposed project would be the best use of this property with the least impact on the surrounding environment.

I look forward to answering any questions and comments on this proposal and that you consider my request and approve it.

Thank You



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Property owner

