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Community Support Needed at Important Hearing

BSL community members are urged to attend an important hearing at which the rezoning of 2 large parcels of land off Burnt Store Road will be debated. The approval to rezone these 600+ acres from agricultural estates to planned development could result in the eventual construction of nearly 2000 residential units.

As we all know, Burnt Store Road is a dangerous, heavily traveled route already overburdened with traffic. To approve these projects without first completing the widening of Burnt Store Road is ill advised. Furthermore, at a hearing in March 2007, this Zoning Board was advised by Wayne Sallade, Director of Emergency Management and other Charlotte County officials that increased density without road improvement could create a hurricane evacuation crisis.

Community members can show their concern over these rezoning proposals by attending the hearing at 1:30pm on Monday, August 13 in Building A - Room 119 of the Charlotte Co. Administration Center on Murdock Circle in Port Charlotte. Jim Brown, Chairperson of the South Charlotte County Coalition, and a BSL resident, is slated to voice these concerns to the Planning and Zoning Board. A show of community support will certainly enhance the impact of his remarks.

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