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Hello Board Members,

I am writing to share my concern about building a cell tower on local wetlands. I have been a resident of Yorktown for the past 12.5 years, and I currently reside on Sunrise St, around the corner from the proposed cell tower. I have also been a high school science teacher for the past 18 years.

In my classes, I teach that wetlands provide humans with the widest variety of ecosystem services of any biome. This local wetland, where the tower is to be built, offers our community flood protection, groundwater recharge and purification, air purification, soil regeneration (through nitrogen fixation and detritivore activity), as well as significant wildlife habitats (my children and I enjoy counting local bird species and looking for mammal tracks in the snow).

Crystal Lake, which is across the street from my house, is already badly eutrophied; showing signs of algae blooms from increased nutrients due to runoff from roadways which lead to oxygen deprivation and death of aquatic life. Removing a portion of the wetlands that feed it could push Crystal Lake beyond repair. Wetlands function to filter runoff and prevent eutrophication of local ponds and lakes, increasing the biodiversity of the ecosystem. Diversity, in all forms, is unarguably beneficial.

I strongly oppose the building of a cell tower on wetlands. I understand wanting to advance technology and improve communication in our community. What I cannot endorse is the destruction of even a portion of this thriving ecosystem that provides vital services to all forms of life. This is what I teach my students every day and it would be hypocritical to not share my thoughts and ask you to help me practice what I preach.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,
Nicole Tantillo