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20M _____ At this point in time we see no need to hook up to water and sewer in Charlotte County. Our home is a winter residence and our current private services are in very good condition. We have been maintaining them with considerable recent expense. As we consider this hook-up we are concerned that our already exorbitant tax assessment will increase again. It is almost humorous that we would be asked to pay further for this service -especially since we have requested repeatedly that something be done about the conditions in the Peace River fish camp and nothing visibly happens. (There are many ϵ health violations, constant disturbing of peace, and many home break-ins in our subdivision) Even with that kind of a downtrodden neighborhood directly adjacent to our subdivision, our taxes keeping going up. \sim

We also have expressed concerns about the fact that there is only one means of egress from our subdivision, since the new owner of adjacent land has fenced of the PM former 2nd means. The county reps say nothing can be done. We see this as a serious risk in the case of emergency, especially with the possibility of a railway accident or stoppage blocking the one and only current exit.

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It is our understanding that our street, Tamayo Dr. is the only county road in our subdivision and that a small section at the west end of our road is also private land. If these sections could become county land, to be maintained and controlled by the county, there would be benefits to our community.

Life has changed drastically for many in our community, since the new owner purchased the land that was crucial to the well being of many, not to mention the devastation of Hurricane Charley. Any gesture from the county to alleviate some of the stress on these homeowners would certainly help them to decide to remain residents of Charlotte County.

There are many other points I could make, but I'm hoping that the point has been made that the attitude is out there, and prevalent, that Charlotte County is treating its residents as second-class citizens, to whom they pay lip-service and expect those retired citizens to pay more and more from their fixed incomes to live in such a county. (99% are retirees)

So with all these things in mind, my husband and I would like to be counted among those who object to water and sewer service unless considerable relief can be made available to the residents.

Sincerely, Noel C. Kastre

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