

Dear Council,

I am writing this letter to express my strong opposition to the rezoning proposal [ZONING AMENDMENT BYLAW NO. 2468, 2022] at 6414 Airport Road in Fort St John.

As residents at [REDACTED], we have had to endure equipment noise at all hours and residual sawdust scattered on our roofing, in our gutters, on vehicles, throughout the yard and inside our home. This is most evident when the wind blows out of the North.

There have been times where there has been so much sawdust blowing around that it looked like it was snowing outside. We have already experienced irritation in our eyes and throats.

This is not only a potential fire hazard but more importantly a risk to the health of people living in our area.

Inhaling wood dust into the lungs can cause breathing problems, and lead to lung diseases such as occupational asthma and lung cancer.

Industry and Worksafe BC have been working on dust controls and mitigating the hazards to workers exposed for years.

There are many more suitable locations for manufacturing and storage.

Please see below for some examples of dust accumulation at our residence.



















