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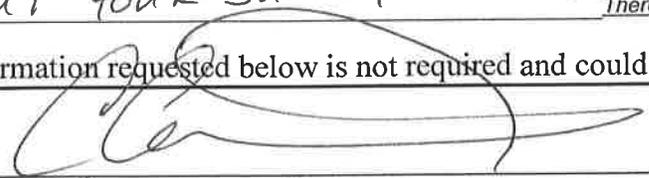
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**Comments:** THE CORNER POINT ON  
3951 S. FOREST ACRES IS WRONG  
THIS AFFECTS CONVERSATIONS ABOUT  
USING MY LAND AND DRIVEWAY.  
I ASSUME SOMEONE WILL CONTACT  
ME ABOUT WANTING TO USE A  
CORNER OF MY PROPERTY.  
THANK YOU  
IN GENERAL I LIKE THE IDEA OF A ROUND  
ABOUT BUT YOUR SURVEY LINES ARE INCORRECT.  
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**Signature:**



**ADAM BOSTER** **5-73-268-7697**  
Name E-mail/Telephone  
**3951 S. FOREST ACRES DR. COLUMBIA MO 65203**  
Mailing Address City State Zip

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**Comments:** *The shoulders from Old Mill Creek to Bethel are in need of repair & debris removal. It is not possible to ride a bike on the shoulder due to debris, potholes, & cracks. Possible addition of a bike lane that is kept clean and free of cracks & potholes would be appreciated.*

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**Signature:** *C Parsons*

*Colleen Parsons*

**Name**

*colparns74@gmail.com*

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*Columbia MO 65203*

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**Comments:** *Seems like overkill. Round-a-bouts are not the answer to all heavy traffic intersections. Prefer programmable stop lights left green (as default) for east-west traffic except during peak traffic times. And you'll plant grass or other landscaping and will not maintain it (see new section of Swartz Blvd). Looks like ---P.*

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**Signature:** 

*Paul Cassimus*

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**Comments:** *Appreciated addressing traffic congestion.  
Need confirmation of gap analysis for Mill  
Creek Crossing intersection.*

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**Comments:** *My biggest concern is children crossing Nifong & Sinclair with a round about where people do not have to stop just slow down. This is not safe for children especially elementary age children to cross by waiting for a gap in traffic. At 8am there no gap people are going to work. Roundabouts are fine in appropriate places. Not by a school. Just do a ~~4 way~~ Stoplight @*

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### **Signature:**

*Jackie Van Delden* *jmhope42@aol.com*  
**Name** **E-mail/Telephone**  
*1912 Kingsbridge Dr.* *Columbia, Mo 65203*  
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**Comments:** Roundabouts are less safe for bicyclists and this does not seem to be taken into consideration in the design stage. There is a lot going on in a roundabout and bikers are often overlooked by drivers looking for an opening into the intersection. I wear hi-vis and use a flashing light and still am overlooked. Designers need to get out on bikes + alternate modes of transportation, and ride through these intersections and various roundabouts to inform their designs.

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**Signature:** *Diane Giessman*

*Diane Giessman*  
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### Comments:

~~The~~ roundabouts need to be landscaped better without depending on someone to adopt them to maintain landscaping. The new one at Vawter School & Scott looks horrible!

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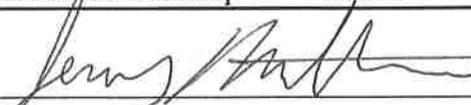
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**Comments:** *Please plan for minimum 2 lane roundabouts to accommodate growth on the Sinclair farm property and continued growth along mill creek road. Small roundabouts do not allow safety buffers between some adjacent roads, which becomes just an intersection w/ an obstacle in the middle*

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## Nifong Intersections Comments by Email:

1. On Thu, Jun 22, 2017 at 10:16 AM, Hardy, Michael <[HardyMi@missouri.edu](mailto:HardyMi@missouri.edu)> wrote:

First, let me thank you for allowing the public to both view the proposed changes along Nifong Blvd and also let us make comments.

I am a big fan of roundabouts, so in principle I don't really have an issue with placing them on Sinclair Rd and Old Mill Creek Rd where they intersect with Nifong. Where my concern is relates to the actual crosswalk in place at the intersection of Woods Edge Rd. There are a number of families with elementary age children that live in the Mill Creek Crossing subdivision, and the traffic as it stands now is a real hazard to crossing Nifong and this is with both flashing school zone signs and a crossing guard. I feel that this crosswalk needs additional scrutiny as vehicles (especially those west bound) are not obeying the posted school zone speed limit even when they have to stop at a four way stop at Sinclair. I have a feeling that a roundabout isn't going to help this, as now cars will be in a way able to "slingshot" through the roundabout without reducing speed to a full stop.

At a minimum, please help the safety of these kids and others who try to cross Nifong by placing strobe lighted crossing signs (when occupied by a pedestrian) much like those in the crosswalks at Beulah Ralph Elementary and in front of Columbia College. Perhaps other school zone signage between Mill Creek Elementary and Woodcrest Chapel might also help motorist remember to keep speeds slow in this area as well.

With the possibility of a new middle school being built next to Mill Creek Elementary, the number of children crossing this major street will only be going up, and I have a real fear that someone is going to get hit either the crossing guard, walking parents, or their children.

*Michael Hardy  
3810 S Blue Cedar Lane  
Columbia MO 65203*

2. On Fri, Jun 23, 2017 at 11:53 AM, 'Jean Taylor' via PubW <[pubw@como.gov](mailto:pubw@como.gov)> wrote:

I am a homeowner living in the area directly behind the Woodcrest Church on Walcox Drive.

I'm writing to express my concerns about the proposed roundabouts. During the school year I leave my home about 8:30 most mornings and head East on Nifong. And many afternoons I drive from Scott Blvd. on the West toward Sinclair when parents are parked on two sides of the school waiting to pick up their children at the end of the school day. Between 4:00 and 6 most weekdays the Sinclair intersection is backed up with traffic from those folks using Nifong to get to Scott Blvd. I'm sure the council is aware that Nifong has become a very busy corridor carrying traffic from hiway 63 to Scott Blvd.

I'm wondering If all four entrances entering on to Nifong via the round-about will have YIELD signs. Nifong bears the most traffic, and I trust serious consideration will be given to the best way of keeping traffic moving efficiently from East and West.

Mornings when I am driving East on Nifong the busiest section happens as soon as I cross Forum. During the school year morning traffic is always backed up between Forum and Bethel.

I have to admit that I'm skeptical about two more roundabouts built so close together, rather than a traffic light at Sinclair. And I would like to suggest that the council address the problem of traffic congestion between Forum and Bethel. No doubt you'll agree that future traffic isn't going to be lighter.....it definitely will continue to increase.

Sincerely,  
(Dora) Jean Taylor

Following up on my email from earlier today, please consider this..... Possibly the roundabout proposal for Old Mill Creek Road could be cancelled. There is very little traffic from North and South at that intersection, and Stop signs could be left there, but eliminated East and West. This would allow Nifong traffic to continue on through without stopping or circling a round-about. The school zone 20 mph ends just past Sinclair on the East and just past Woods Edge on the West.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. It is appreciated.

### **Nifong Intersections Comments by Phone:**

1. Darlen Payton (446-8688): 6/23/17, Ms. Payton stated that she liked roundabouts, but she was concerned that there would not be the gaps for traffic from the south to get out in the morning.
2. Pat Hancock (445-7088): 6/23/17, Ms. Hancock called to voice that she did not like the roundabouts because she did not like driving her RV through them.