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April 25, 2022

Madison County Board of Supervisors  
Attention: Shelton Vance  
146 West Center Street  
Canton MS 39046

re: Reconsideration of Swamp Road Closure

Mr. Vance and Members of the Board,

Due to mis-communication between myself, Don McGraw, the Board and Mr. Vance, my clients, Andy Dyess and the Elwood Martin family were not present at the Board meeting on April 18, 2022 when the Swamp Road Closure was considered again

It was my understanding that the hearing on the Swamp Road closure was going to be continued at least another 30 days from speaking with Mr. McGraw. At his request, I sent Mr. McGraw an email agreeing to a continuance, and he was to forward that to Mr. Vance who had said he would move it if he had something in writing from both parties. I am attaching a copy of the email to Mr McGraw to this letter. Mr. McGraw apparently did not receive the email from me due to a technical glitch. The other recipient, Andy Dyess, did receive his copy and the email was not returned to me as undeliverable or as rejected.

As of the writing of this letter, the parties are still working on a Road Use and Maintenance Agreement. As of right now, with the closure of Swamp Road as approved last Monday, the Martin family, Buzzard Roost Holdings, LLC (Mr. Dyess) and New Place Land & Timber LLC (Chris Poole) are all landlocked with no legal access to their property from the north or south side.

Mr McGraw is working on the North end agreement from Putnam Road to the Martin Property and to Buzzard Roost Holdings LLC. The south end across Potlatch and Joe Earl Evans property is also not finalized, and based on what we believed was going to be done, the south end was not going to be abandoned. To my knowledge, no one requested a closure of the south end and a south end description was not provided at either of the other hearings which were continued.

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Request is hereby made that the Board place the Swamp Road closure back on the agenda for the first meeting in May and that the Board immediately reconsider or stay the abandonment of Swamp Road pending a final Road Use and Maintenance agreement entered into between all landowners.

Sincerely yours,

*David L. Valentine*

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cc. Andy Dyess  
Patrick Martin  
Don McGraw

## Swamp Rd Closure

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From: David L. Valentine (dlvalent@bellsouth.net)

To: dmcrgraw@montgomerymcgraw.com

Cc: andydyess@icloud.com

Date: Tuesday, April 12, 2022, 02:47 PM CDT

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Don, I have spoken with Andy Dyess regarding the proposed easement and additional work which needs to be done on the alternative access road. In Order to try and get the kinks worked out and the final road work done, we are in agreement to delaying the next meeting with the board of supervisors for at least 30 days.

Please let Shelton know.

Thanks,  
David

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