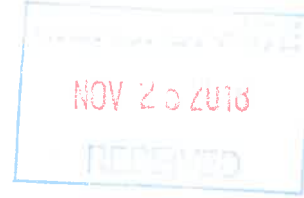


BATTELL HILL TOWNHOMES ASSOCIATION, INC.
24 Nedde Lane, Middlebury, Vermont 05753

November 17, 2018

Vermont Agency of Transportation
One National Life Drive
Montpelier, VT 05633-5001



Dear Sir/Madam,

Please be aware of a serious situation that relates to rates of speed of vehicles traveling westbound on Seminary Street Extension in Middlebury as the road heads downhill in the area of Battell Woods. Many of these vehicles are traveling at excessive rates of speed as they approach the entrances to Little Pond Road at Battell Hill Townhomes and the entrance to Middlebury East Condominiums. Residents exiting these streets are at risk of collision given the limited eastbound sight distance on Seminary Street Ext. It has often been our experience after entering Seminary Street Ext., after making certain that no westbound vehicles are in our field of vision, only to note in our rear view mirror that a westbound vehicle is tailgating us, obviously having traveled downhill at an excessive rate of speed. This creates the potential for a serious collision. We urge that your office consider installing signage that reduce speed limits on the descent as well as warning drivers of the rapidly approaching 25 mph speed limit just ahead. Also consider a sign that warns of hidden drives on the left. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Yours truly,

Joel Miller, VP
Battell Hill Townhomes Association

cc:

Chief Thomas Hanley, Middlebury Police Department
✓ Kathleen Ramsay, Town Manager Middlebury, VT.
Representative Amy Sheldon