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RE: New Housing at "Newbury Heights"

This morning I looked out my window to see a deer roaming through the wooded area behind my house. Nice to see, but then I thought... enjoy this, it may be gone soon. Too bad.

So tonight I spent a little time seeing if there was a way to protect this wildlife. Looking at town maps I found a map labeled "Priority Habitats & Natural Resource Areas"

It's on the Newbury Master Plan. You can see it here:

<https://www.townofnewbury.org/planning-board/files/d10-priority-habitats-natural-resource-areas>

It looks like the entire area of the new housing project is located in a "Wildlife Resource Area."

How is that possible? I assume a Wildlife Resource Area is just what it sounds like... Trees, brush, deer, birds, squirrels, etc. Not 43 houses jammed together on paved streets.

What is the Planning Boards definition of a "Wildlife Resource Area."?

Thanks for your time.

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