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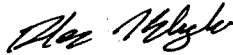
June 30, 2014

Union Court House  
350 Main Street  
Union, WV 24983  
Attn: Shane Ashley

Dear Mr. Ashley:

Attached is a petition from concerned citizens that reside and travel on Simms Hill Road in Monroe County. It would be appreciated if you can take this matter under consideration.

Sincerely yours,



Concerned Citizens

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Cc:

Governor Joe Manchin  
Charleston, WV

WV Department of Highways  
Charleston, WV

Delegate Roy Cooper  
Charleston, WV

U.S. Rep. Nick Rahall  
Bluefield, WV

Greg Sibold- Road Department  
Union, WV

June 19, 2014

We the undersigned who live on Simms Hill Road, Monroe County, West Virginia are petitioning the County/State Road Department against turning our tarred and graveled road back to a dirt road. In the past we fought hard to have the road tarred and graveled. In infinite wisdom the state decided to turn back the clock, and returned our road to dirt.

Simms Hill Road is approximately two miles long. Just recently, the State paved 4/10<sup>th</sup> of a mile and stopped. We were informed the State does not have the funds to pave the remainder of the road. Their solution, remove the existing tar and gravel and convert the road back to dirt.

The road had some pot holes which could have been repaired, and it would have been more cost effective to fix the pot holes than to spend the funds to turn it back to a dirt road. Every time there is heavy rainfall the road department is required to re-grade and gravel the road and in addition, twice a year spring and fall as the road degrades requires re-graveling.

**Our property will decrease in value should the state decides to go through with downgrading our road to dirt; in that case we expect our taxes be lowered as well.** As taxpayers we feel this is most unfair and would like to see our road paved or converted back to tar and gravel.

Some of Simms Hill residents have serious lung problems and are under a doctor's care. The dust produced from a dirt road will further aggravate the condition. While the state is supposedly trying to save money they jeopardize the health and welfare of its citizens.

In conclusion, the bottom line to turn Simms Hill Road into dirt will require constant maintenance. The amount of money to be spent will far exceed the cost of tar and gravel.

Attached are the names of petitioner's:

*Caroline Klezli 988 Simms Hill Rd*  
*Alexandra Pyle 1023 Simms Hill Rd.*

Paullett Kirby  
~~Jane Kirby~~  
W. Kirby  
Robert Chews  
Mancy Creech  
Irene Wintney  
John Wintney  
Fred Taylor  
Jerry McCune

Paula Prater  
Mavis Prater

Jessica Dale

Thomas L. Dunn  
Sherry L. Dunn

Brian Conn

Susan Gill Simmes Hill Road

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Roger Copeland Simms Hill Road  
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Marilyn Christian 2046 Simms Hill Road  
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H. Rob. Warden Simms Hill Road  
Bet Ann  
Gladys V. Winkle Simms Hill Road  
Dagon Hudson Simms Hill Road  
Sherry Lunette Horton Simms Hill Rd.  
David Christian Simms Hill Rd  
Melinda Christian Simms Hill Road  
Bunda Page Simms Hill Road  
L. Page Simms Hill Rd.  
Janey Jones Simms Hill Rd.  
Beth Ann Simms Hill Rd  
Debra Comer Simms Hill Rd  
Robert Mucins Hunter Springs Rd.

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Alma J. Bradley  
Mayella Riner  
Rose G. White

Clair D. Riner  
Sally Miller

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