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Subject: Please help our school by reopening Paulson Road
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To whom it may concern,

Good afternoon,

My name is Amy Thomas and I am the very proud principal of the Watsonville Charter School of the Arts, located on Whiting Road directly off of Paulson Road. I have been at this school for 18 years and every year I have been here we have had troubles with the flooding since I got here.

That being said, it has gotten worse and I know that most recently it has been barricaded temporarily due to flooding. Thank you for not allowing any cars to get trapped, as in recent years people get very curious and brave and try to get through the water only to realize that it is much deeper than they thought, thus getting stuck and becoming "those" people on the news.

I am reaching out, because I know that the flooding is now gone, and the barricades are still up. I am asking you to reconsider the barricades, because this causes my school families much hardship in the mornings and afternoons getting their children to school and picking them up, causing their kids to be late missing important information and academic time. When kids are late to school, they often miss very important instructions, often feel frustrated and embarrassed when their peers look at them coming in late, they miss breakfast which is the fuel they need to concentrate throughout the day, and they feel like the rest of the day is a catch up session. Please help us by taking down the barriers. I do not feel as though this is too big of an ask.

Respectfully,

Amy Thomas, Principal
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