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Subject: Here's an idea for **Kirk Kirkpatrick**, re: Browning Branch Driveway Access Permit.

Talking about roundabout's, here is a brainstorm idea for **James Weaver "Kirk" Kirkpatrick the III** [D], **Elizabeth Teague**, **Greg Wishart**, **Marek Hevier** and Chris Lee and the Saga of the entrance to Browning Branch, LLC. Let's put in a roundabout!

[**Editor's Note:** In Florida, it's called a traffic circle.]

The Street and Driveway Access Permit Application (201804404 DW) was approved and pencil whipped by Chris Lee, NCDOT on 10/15/2018.

[The Street and Driveway Access Permit Application filed with NCDOT, for the entrance at Allens Creek Road and Buchanan Drive filed by the developer, and approval \(or denial\) by NCDOT for that application at that Allens Creek Road and Buchanan Drive. Hi-Rez. Thank you David Uchiyama and Meredith Vick of NCDOT. 9/22/2021...](#)

or

<https://www.haywoodtp.net/pubII/210922-201804404DW-ApprovalPackage20181015.pdf>

After a complaint was filed against Chris Lee (NCDOT) -

[Continued dialog with folks at NCDOT regarding the Driveway Access Permit for the Browning Branch, LLC Development and the Complaint against Chris Lee, District Engineer, NCDOT, Division 14: District II. 10/15/2021. 10/16/2021...](#)

or

<https://www.haywoodtp.net/pubII/211016DialogNCDOT-ComplaintAgainstChrisLee.pdf>,

I was informed by Wanda Austin (NCDOT) that the final Street and Driveway Access Permit Application has still not been approved, and, of course, Chris Lee was exonerated.

[Complaint against Chris Lee, District Engineer, NCDOT, Division 14: District II, re: Browning Branch, LLC Driveway Permit. NCDOT exonerates Chris Lee \(as expected\). However, Wanda Austin, Division Engineer, indicated: "The driveway permit is still open and has not been accepted at the time of this email." WTF? 10/2/2021...](#)

or

<https://www.haywoodtp.net/pubII/211002ComplaintAgainstChrisLee.pdf>

Numerous problems with the entrance, along with numerous solutions offered, appear in

[James Weaver "Kirk" Kirkpatrick the III \[D\], Elizabeth Teague, Greg Wishart, Marek Hevier and Chris Lee: Saga of the entrance to Browning Branch, LLC. What's James Weaver "Kirk" Kirkpatrick the III \[D\] going to do, take them to court? 11/29/2021...](#)

or

<https://www.haywoodtp.net/pubII/211129KirkpatrickBuchananDrive.pdf>

So, here we are, with the people now living at Browning Branch, LLC (a.k.a. Lake Buchanan) are driving in and out of their development through a dusty gravel - unpaved entrance. Not a problem for the folks who live up Browning Branch Road, as that's what they have been using since the past forever - a nice dusty gravel road.

Then, NCDOT decided that they were going to propose a roundabout at the intersection of US 19 and US276 (Jonathan Creek Road). WTF? A roundabout for 4 lane highways? What's that all about? Anyway, if NCDOT can propose a roundabout there, why not have a roundabout at the entrance to the Lake Buchanan development.

[**Editor's Note:** I went to the Public Hearing NCDOT had on 12/7/2021 to find out what this roundabout was all about. I spoke with Jeanette White, Senior Project Engineer (NCDOT) and Andrew Topp, Senior Project Manager (vhb). What is vhb? Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc.® and Vanasse Hangen BrustlinSM All Rights Reserved, a foreign company. WTF? More on the visit to the Public Hearing at a later time, perhaps.]

So I sent an email to **James Weaver "Kirk" Kirkpatrick the III [D]** to enlighten him with my new idea, since the project seems to be going nowhere at this time. The email follows...

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Subject: New Idea for Lake Buchanan

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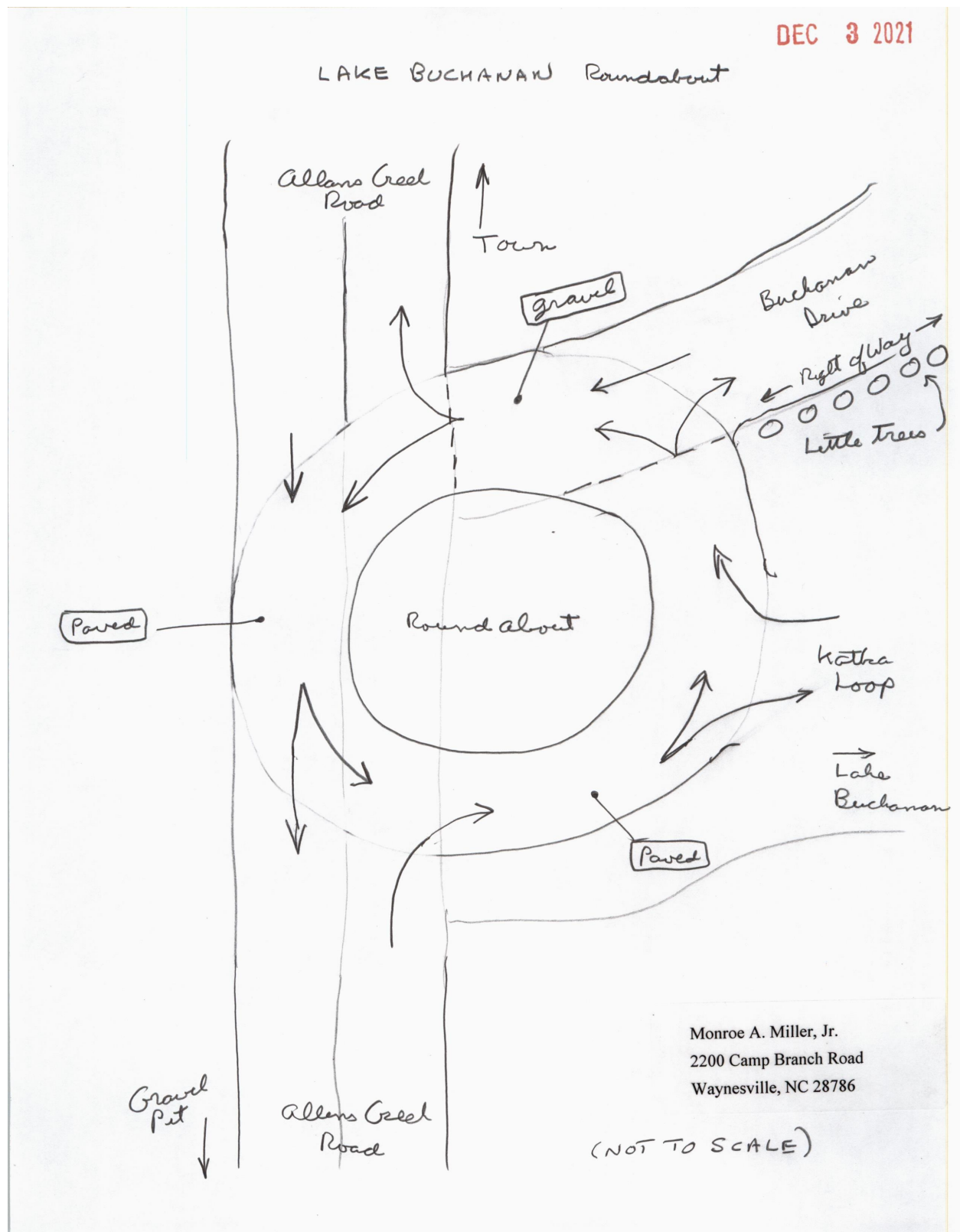
CC: Chris Lee <cdlee@ncdot.gov>, Vicki Hyatt <vhyatt@themountaineer.com>, Becky Johnson <bjohnson@themountaineer.com>, Cory Vaillancourt <cory@smokymountainnews.com>, Jonathan Key <jkey@themountaineer.com>

Guys,

Did you see the article in the Mountaineer where NCDOT is attempting to put a new roundabout in on 4-lane highways (for safety)?



Well, here is an idea for Lake Buchanan (for safety).



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