From: City of Ketchum Idaho <participate@ketchumidaho.org>

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 15, 2024 9:29 AM

**To:** Participate

**Subject:** Form submission from: Contact Us

Submitted on Wednesday, May 15, 2024 - 9:29am

Submitted by anonymous user: 204.229.6.82

Submitted values are:

First Name Hank Last Name Elzinga Email hkelzinga@gmail.com Question/Comment

Hi there, we regularly travel to Sun Valley and Ketchum. We would love to drive our EV there, but are disappointed with the charging options in Sun Valley/Ketchum/Hailey and Bellevue. When will there be reliable fast charging available in the Wood River Valley???

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.ketchumidaho.org/node/7/submission/12104

From: Neil Bradshaw

**Sent:** Tuesday, May 14, 2024 7:49 AM

To: Terry Ring Cc: Participate

**Subject:** Re: Suddenly There Aren't Enough Babies. The Whole World Is Alarmed. - The Wall

Street Journal.

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Thanks Terry
Yes, I read this article in the WSJ
I will share with council
Cheers
Neil

### **NEIL BRADSHAW | CITY OF KETCHUM**

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On May 14, 2024, at 7:36 AM, Terry Ring <a href="mailto:rerryring@me.com">terryring@me.com</a>> wrote:

Hi Neil,

The low birth rate of people that moved to our mountain town in the 70's, 80's, and 90's is one of the reasons that we ran out of workers. The Comp Plan should consider that the growth projects may not come to fruition. There are a number of things that could happen to derail growth including the cost of living here.

Thanks for your service to our community. Please share with the Council.

All the best,

Terry Ring (208) 720-2948

I thought you would be interested in the following story from The Wall Street Journal.

# <u>Suddenly There Aren't Enough Babies. The Whole World Is Alarmed.</u>

Download the Wall Street Journal app here: WSJ.

Sent from my iPad

From: Perry Boyle <br/>
Sent: Saturday, May 11, 2024 7:38 PM<br/>
To: letters@mtexpress.com; Participate

**Subject:** Letter for publication

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Public Buildings Should Have Public Uses

Having read in this paper about all the projects the Ketchum City Council has in store for us, repairing the visitor center stood out to me. Why does the city need to own that building at all? It has no public purpose. It houses a Starbucks and a visitor center—both are commercial enterprises, not public ones. It is corporate welfare at taxpayer expense.

The City could sell the building and reap multiple benefits. First, it could apply the millions of dollars of proceeds to pay for all of the deferred maintenance projects on the City hasn't gotten around to. Second, a commercial owner would pay substantial property taxes that would benefit the community. Third, a commercial owner would probably increase the vibrancy of that location by incorporating more restaurant/retail there finally, it would reduce the complexity the City staff has to manage.

This seems like a no-brainer. All benefits and no downside Why isn't it being discussed by the Council? Why hasn't it been done already?

Perry Boyle Ketchum

**From:** Amy Johnson <amycljohnson@gmail.com>

Sent: Wednesday, May 8, 2024 7:19 AM

**To:** Participate

**Subject:** Re: New traffic light creating a mess at Ohio Gulch Hwy 75

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I called IDOT and will spread the phone number. 2088867800

This is the IDOT district 4 phone number. Call them and share your concerns - what is their plan to relieve southbound traffic at 5pm? It takes 1 hr not 30 min Ketchum to Hailey. The new traffic light at Ohio Gulch needs engineers on it to sync the lights. What else can be done?

Amy 650-207-6265

On Tue, May 7, 2024, 5:40 PM Amy Johnson <a href="mailto:amycljohnson@gmail.com">amycljohnson@gmail.com</a> wrote:

What has IDOT done to fix this traffic nightmare? And what plans do they have in place to remedy?

This slowdown will cause year round residents and summer visitors to leave, to go home, and to not come back. This is poorly managed. The light is not in sync with the (light) volume of trucks coming out of Ohio Gulch. The addition of the traffic light is causing major delays and headaches for a lot of people, and every day.

What is IDOT doing?

Thanks

Amy

650-207-6265

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From: Amy Johnson <a href="mailto:amycljohnson@gmail.com">amycljohnson@gmail.com</a>>

Date: Tue, Apr 30, 2024, 4:53 PM

Subject: New traffic light creating a mass at Ohio Gulch Hwy 75

To: Participate < participate@ketchumidaho.org >

Cc: <<u>carolyn.gruver@gmail.com</u>>, Sharon Knight tennis <<u>sharon.knight@gmail.com</u>>, Ginny Bachman

<ginny.bachman@gmail.com>

Hello, Would you pass my email on to IDOT?

They put in a new light at Ohio gulch and it's created more of a mess. What were they thinking? Did they do any traffic studies, and did they think that adding a light would help relieve congestion? Seems as

though from between 4:00 and 6:00 every weekday there's a conga line southbound between Ketchum and Hailey.

Is the light, and can the light be timed based on cars waiting? In other words, if no car is waiting, then make sure it's green going southbound.

This is terrible. Quite a nightmare

Amy Johnson 650-207-6265