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**RE: Proposed lease of Camp Daybreak, Coralville Lake, North Liberty, Ia  
Official Public Comment in response to Environmental Assessment**

Dear Karen:

I have read the Environmental Assessment cover to cover a couple times now. I have found so many items that require a comment, that I do not want to try to put it **all** into one document. So, you will be receiving a series of letters **from** me, not necessarily in any particular order.

**TOPIC: INTENDED USE OF PREMISES**

We have been assured numerous times that **only** group recreational use of the leased premises would be allowed under the non-profit type of lease being considered under alternative #1 of the **EA**.

We received correspondence dated 7/8/99 from Karen J. Grizzle, Acting Chief, Real Estate Division in your office stating "Commercial use would not be permitted. **This has** been discussed with Muslim Youth Camps of America, Inc. representatives."

We received correspondence dated 9/9/99 through Senator Harkins office from Torkild P. Brunso, Lieutenant Colonel, U.S. Army, Acting District Engineer, which states "Compliance with the terms of the lease will be monitored by our Real Estate Division staff, with the assistance of Coralville Lake Project **staff** The lease condition, which requires that the premises be used for organized group recreational use only, has been clarified with the applicant. There is no need for MYCA to change the application."

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On page 4 of the EA, under "3.1.2 Users served", it says "Family retreats on six to eight weekends are projected to generate another 180 to 450 users. Additionally, 1,000 users are projected to be generated by 10 weddings". Reference to weddings and family retreats is found in several places in the EA.

Weddings and family reunions are not organized group recreational use. Weddings are certainly commercial use. I would consider family reunions either personal or commercial use.

**I believe there would also be some personal inurement issues related to the applicant's tax-exempt status if directors, officers, or key employees were using the premises for personal weddings and family reunions.**

**Clearly, the applicant intends to use the property for purposes outside the stated lease condition.**

**Sincerely,**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynne M. Kinney". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

**Lynne M. Kinney  
3530 Cumberland Ridge Rd NE  
North Liberty, Ia 52317**

**CC: Grassley, Harkin, Leach**