

Care about HEALTH & SAFETY in our local communities?

Stand with your neighbors against the Wood Avenue warehouse!

Scannell Properties - based in Indiana - has proposed building a one million square foot warehouse, "Easton Commerce Park" at 1525 Wood Avenue, utilizing the RT 22 25th and 13th street exits for hundreds of daily tractor trailer trips directly affecting the well-being of folks in Wilson, Palmer, Easton, and Forks

Increased diesel exhaust will lead to decreased air quality

According to the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), diesel exhaust causes adverse "health effects ranging from irritation of the eyes and nose, headaches and nausea, to respiratory disease and lung cancer" (<https://www.osha.gov/diesel-exhaust>).

As per an October 2024 report from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, toxic releases into the air within one square mile of the site are already the 86th percentile of the USA, diesel particulate matter is already in the 75th percentile, and asthma is already in the 78th percentile.

In 2021, Allentown was considered the "Asthma Capital" of the Northeast Mid-Atlantic region, according to the Asthma and Allergy Foundation of America. More warehouses will only increase the scale and scope of this issue!

Increased heavy truck traffic to and from the proposed warehouse will pose risks to drivers

High school students – new drivers – use Wood Ave on their way to and from school, adding hundreds of trucks directly affects the safety of these (and other) drivers.

Increased traffic will increase noise pollution and contribute to hearing loss

An NIH-funded study from 2021 found that exposure to road traffic noise greater than 70 decibels showed an increased risk of damage to the auditory system (DOI: 10.1007/s40201-021-00704-y)

Links to all documents cited and more information can be found at
<https://stopwoodwarehouse.wordpress.com/>

