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I'm writing as a homeowner at 10751 Cummings Lane, my family having acquired a house on an acre of redwoods in 1967, located several hundred feet from the existing MUSD water storage tanks.

Since the 1960's, like many others, I have regularly used the simple, well-worn path extending south then west from Cummings Ln. through the wooded properties adjacent to Little Lake Rd., which then extends onto MUSD property within what I believe is identified as a planned well site. The forested path transitions to an unpaved road leading internally to the entrance of the MUSD corporation yard under discussion and then to open access either across Little Lake to the Middle School or further down Little Lake to the village of Mendocino about a mile to the west.

As can easily be seen in aerial photos of the area, Little Lake Rd. presents a sharp blind curve which is self-evidently dangerous, particularly for young children walking downhill to the school. It has long been my understanding that this danger was addressed long ago by the aforementioned path, which has dependably served as a practical, safe and pleasant pedestrian route.

On that basis I would suggest that a proper Right of Way exists, and I note that "new fencing and security gates" are planned at points on the MUSD property, and that these might interfere with this necessary and established affordance.

The operation of massive and cumbersome tanker trucks on the interior of the school property in the presence of small children would represent another grave danger. At least these vehicles' extreme and far-reaching mechanical bass noisiness has the virtue of providing some warning, if at the cost of the quiet enjoyment of a once pleasant and hydrated neighborhood.

Thanks for your consideration.

