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McANA Position on Protection of the Indianapolis Greenways From Development Encroachment and Exploitation

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The Marion County Alliance of Neighborhood Associations considers our system of linear parks and greenways to be strategic elements of neighborhood quality of life. These greenway corridors provide numerous benefits, but perhaps most importantly, they provide relatively unadorned surroundings in which residents can escape the often intense sensory impacts of urban life. The greenways corridors also preserve critical environmental assets which are quickly diminishing within Marion County. It is critical that our greenways be protected from the pressures of inappropriate and untimely development.

It is MCANA's position that the City of Indianapolis should enact and implement all appropriate planning guidelines and procedures, land use regulations and/or physical design standards which would provide for the protection of our greenways corridors from various adverse impacts of development, such as noise excess light, automobile traffic, commercial signage, commercial exploitation, etc. This includes the utilization of sufficient vegetative screening and substantial buffering between the corridors and nearby intense uses and incorporating open space and less intense uses such as parks or low density residential dwellings.
