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Motorcycle racing not for Fishersville

As a longtime resident of Fishersville, I cannot believe the Augusta Expoland Board of Directors and any of our elected officials would consider a motocross motorcycle racetrack in this area.

For the last few years there has been article after article in newspapers and newscasts concerning the traffic problems on Exit 91 from I-64, Va. 608 and Ladd Road. Another added attraction such as this motocross would bring in more trucks, trailers, etc., to further congest the area with traffic that these highways cannot handle.

If one lives next to Expo, or close by, there are many spring, summer and fall days and evenings that we cannot entertain outside, or just sit and enjoy our property or even have a window open for fresh air due to the noise that comes from Expo's monster truck shows and tractor pulls, not only from the machines themselves, but from the PA system. I am not against these events, but their location.

We have been thankful over the years that these events do not go on all the time.

However, the motocross, I understand, will operate five days a week. Has any consideration been given to the hospital and churches in the area?

If our residents of Augusta County are interested in these types of events, then investigative efforts need to be made to find a location that is not close to a subdivision or other properties that would be disturbed by noise, traffic, dust and pollution.

Many of us bought our properties for their locations between Staunton and Waynesboro, or to be closer to our employment, not for the events at Expo.

Augusta County covers over 1,000 square miles, and I certainly would think there should be rural properties more suitable than Expo.

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