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From Don Steinke
To County Staff

From Don Steinke CAG member

To Climate Project facilitators.

For the record: Your instructions to the Climate Project community members includes "Bring concerns and ideas up for discussion at the earliest point in the process"

My early concerns:

1. We need to establish what it means to *reduce greenhouse gas emissions*. If the county replaces one gas boiler with an electric heat pump system, they have reduced emissions from one building. But if at the same time, 2 new buildings are permitted with gas boilers, our net community wide emissions may have increased.

2. We need to know how the greenhouse gas inventory is done.

3. We need to establish targets for greenhouse gas emissions reduction similar to or better than the state targets. State law says:

- (ii) By 2030, reduce overall emissions of greenhouse gases in the state to fifty million metric tons, or forty-five percent below 1990 levels;

- (iii) By 2040, reduce overall emissions of greenhouse gases in the state to twenty-seven million metric tons, or seventy percent below 1990 levels;

- (iv) By 2050, reduce overall emissions of greenhouse gases in the state to five million metric tons, or ninety-five percent below 1990 levels.

Currently, Washington State emissions are about 5% above 1990 levels.

Don Steinke

