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Good day, Cort,

Thank you for your comments regarding Climate Change as relates to the 2025 Comprehensive Plan.

I have forwarded these to Staff and will enter them into the Index of Record.



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Climate and CO2 ofsets

**Comments**

Hello, I live in rural Clark County. In the past year I have observed four (4) five (5) acre parcels with homes cleared of large fir trees to take advantage of the forest deferral on property taxes. The closest says they plan to plant christmas trees. Large trees are much better at carbon sequestration than the equivalent acreage of small christmas type or other small trees. If Clark County is really serious about climate change and carbon sequestration they would offer the same or better property tax incentives to have property owners keep the large trees. Paying property owners through reduced property taxes to cut down (all I have seen are clear cuts) large trees and replace with small, if at all, is not climate friendly. Not offering property owners who keep their large trees the same or better tax incentives shows that they County is only playing lip service to their "climate" initiatives.

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