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Oppose the Resource Lands Study – Protect Our Rural Community

**Date of Hearing**

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**Comment**

Dear Council Members,

I am writing to urge you to vote in favor of halting the resource lands study as part of the comprehensive plan update. This decision is critical to preserving the rural integrity of our community, especially in the Sunset Falls Road area.

Many of your constituents, including myself, have spent months providing testimony and written comments in opposition to mining operations in this area. While the council was initially prepared to make the right decision, it's clear that outside special interests have recently influenced the direction. This resolution is the final step to ensure our voices are heard and our community is protected.

Planning staff have already stated there is not enough time to conduct a thorough and unbiased study.. Rushing this process only opens the door for consultants and contractors who serve the interests of developers and private, out-of-state mining companies—not Clark County residents.

We are not against infrastructure or thoughtful development. What we are against is the reckless de-designation of homesteads, farmland, and forests just to benefit a wealthy few at

the expense of our rural way of life. In some cases, these mining rights are even enforced without the consent of local property owners due to outdated and unjust loopholes.

Approving this study invites more mining, more tree removal, more blasting, and more industrial truck traffic that undermines the safety, tranquility, and character of our neighborhoods. It sets a dangerous precedent for future development and exploitation.

Please do the right thing—protect our community and vote to stop the resource lands study. Let's invest in preserving what makes Clark County special for current and future generations.

Sincerely,  
Michelle Brannan



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