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Hi Jeff,

FYI. Thanks.



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Councilors,

Please see the attached urgent letter from Bill and Karri Rohrer regarding the above item to be discussed at the April 15th meeting. Bill and Karri are traveling and asked me, their son-in-law, to send this letter to each of you on their behalf.

Please do confirm receipt of this email to make sure it has been received.

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April 14, 2025

Clark County Councilors
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Subject: Reject Resolution No. 2025-03-xx and Continue Land Study

Dear Councilors,

We are reaching out to express the need for the County to continue the resource land study as required by Washington State law. This requires the rejection of newly drafted Resolution No. 2025-03-xx being heard at the April 15th, 2025 meeting. The decision was already made in December of 2024. Moving forward now with the study is the duty of the County as outlined in State Law and in the spirit of working with the municipalities in the area who have done their part. If adopted, the changed resolution would hinder reasonable progress of the municipalities and long-term economic development of our community.

For personal context, we are born and raised residents of Clark County, farming for 40+ years in the County as Dairy, row crop, and chicken farmers. We moved from one agricultural business to the next to stay in business as the County changed over time. Clark County is a very different place than when we started as the cities grew and more people and businesses moved to our community. Where our land sits today is no longer conducive for agricultural use and is simply not economically viable as an agricultural property. Across the street from our property is commercial warehousing that is within the city limits, and we are surrounded by small residential lots and subdivision development. Stopping the development in our area by taking the action on the table will hurt economic development of the County and our specific area. We understand agriculture and

economic viability. We have lived it. If the council stops progress at this time, it will be at the expense of our community, our families, and our agricultural community members like ourselves.

In summary, we urge each of you to reject Resolution No. 2025-03-xx and continue with your duty to perform the resource study. The City of Ridgefield and the other municipalities have done their part. It's your turn to keep your word and continue with the process. The economic growth of our County, Ridgefield and the surrounding area takes good land use decisions that reflect both the current reality, and it looks further out to help build land uses that make sense for the future. The current agricultural zoning in various areas including ours is more than dated and makes no sense relative to the highest and best use along the I-5 corridor which is a desirable and growing area.

Thank you for your consideration and willingness to keep your word to move forward.

Respectfully,

Bill and Karri Rohrer

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