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Good day, Brian,

Thank you for submitting comments regarding the Ag Study for the Land Use Alternatives to be studied in the DEIS.

These will be entered into the Comprehensive Plan Index of Record.



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I am a resident of Clark County. I am writing to ask you to ensure that Clark County complies with State Law by meeting the Comprehensive Plan update deadline, and

delays the study of Agricultural land until AFTER the Comprehensive Plan is submitted in December 2025.

Delaying the Comp Plan means delaying urgent climate and housing policies we can't afford to wait on. Cities like Yacolt, Battle Ground, and Camas have followed the rules—they shouldn't be held back.

County staff have warned that adding a rushed study on farmland will blow the deadline. That would make the county lose access to critical state grants and low-interest loans—possibly for good—and delay key projects.

Ridgefield and La Center are trying to expand into farmland to cover for past planning mistakes. They haven't built any new multifamily housing in two years, even though they know state rules require it.

La Center leaders have openly rejected the Growth Management Act's goals to reduce sprawl, protect farmland, and provide housing for everyone. The county shouldn't help them break the rules or promote exclusionary zoning.

Both cities knew the deadlines and failed to act in time. Now they're scrambling to please developers—not doing what's best for their communities.

This issue is very important to me. Pavement is forever.

Please write me back let me know that you will stand up for protection of farmland, and not rush to satisfy developers!

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