From: <u>Jeffrey Delapena</u>

To: Jude Wait; Cnty 2025 Comp Plan
Cc: Oliver Orjiako; Jenna Kay; Jose Alvarez

Subject: RE: Alternatives open house comments by 30June

Date: Tuesday, July 1, 2025 7:38:52 AM

Attachments: <u>image001.png</u>

Good day, Jude,

Thank you for submitting this feedback in relation to the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update. This will be entered into the Index of Record.

To answer your question, the only publicly accessible database of received comments is our 2025 Update website. While you cannot search by topic, this does allow you to narrow down by submitter or date using the search bar in the top right corner. Hopefully this information is of some help.

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Best,



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From: Jude Wait <wellsavellc@gmail.com> Sent: Monday, June 30, 2025 10:47 PM

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Jenna,

Comments attached:)

Is there a link to the comment tracker tool you are using internally? It would be great to be able to search on specific topics and submitters... besides scrolling the public comment list with name/date.

Jude Wait, Ph.D., MiM

Comments on the growth management plan update alternatives.

To County Council and Planning Commission

Submitted by Jude Wait, PhD,

June 30, 2025

summary recommendations

- 1. We would prefer Alternative 2 without any urban growth area (UGA) expansion.
 - a. The testimony of staff and several other experts and organizations confirms that cities do not need to expand but they do need to densify.
 - b. We need much more than Alternative 1 (no action) because we need to act deliberately to <u>adopt the Climate Element and all of its consensus-derived policies and goals.</u>
- 2. We oppose Alternative 3 due to the additional site specific requests and UGA expansion.
 - a. Alternative 3 maps look like the epitome of sprawl.
 - b. County staff and other experts agreed in public meetings that site specific requests were resolvable otherwise.
 - c. It is unclear how many acres, current land use, up zoning, and/or dedesignation of Ag/Forest/OpenSpace these additional sites represent. Please disclose a current list of these sites with all of the details.
 - d. Where applicable, please also refer to detailed analysis of many of sites (FOCC; McDonald, etc), which are not apparently being disclosed by the county in an accessible way.
- 3. The Preferred Alternative additionally needs to acknowledge and integrate several unresolved issues.
 - a. For example, please refer to the draft citizens alternative, submitted by ACE several months ago.
 - b. You are planning for population growth, housing, and transportation, but have you provided an alternative that projects the water supply and demand?
 - Urbanization disrupts watershed function. The County's water quality monitoring and groundwater infiltration / recharge guidelines are sorely inadequate and deserve scientifically based upgrades.
- 4. Thank you for your attention and service, and the great work of County Planning and Public Health staff

Respectfully, Jude Wait,

Political Agroecologist / Environmental and Natural Resource Scientist / Farm and Food Justice Network co-founder (served on the County Climate Project's Environmental Justice Coalition).