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1. Please describe what you think are the most important WAC criteria to support agriculture that is sustainable and commercially viable for the long-term in Clark County. For reference, here is a summary of the criteria:

- The availability of public facilities, including roads used in transporting agricultural products;
- Tax status, including whether lands are enrolled under the current use tax assessment under chapter 84.34 RCW;
- The availability of public services;
- Relationship or proximity to urban growth areas;
- Land use settlement patterns and their compatibility with agricultural practices;
- Predominant parcel size, which may include smaller parcels if contiguous with other agricultural resource lands;
- Intensity of nearby land uses;
- History of land development permits issued nearby;
- Land values under alternative uses; and
- Proximity to markets.

Tax status

Predominant parcel size

History of land development permits

2. Do the maps shown at the open house this evening align with on-the-ground conditions, and are there additional indicators of agricultural production capability or agricultural commercial significance that should be included?

I question whether GIS tools and tax records tell the whole story about agricultural activity. I encourage the county and/or agricultural consultants to engage with local farm groups. For example, our farm, Battle Ground Blooms, is part of the Evergreen Floral Alliance, which includes about 15 cut flower farms in Clark County. There are also groups related to food & livestock.

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Engage with these groups, and understand how local farms support Clark County residents.

3. How should food security be evaluated in our analysis?

We need to have enough land locally for ranchers and farmers to produce meat, poultry, fruit and vegetables that can be accessed at local markets ~~or~~ or sold directly to consumers. The more land that turns into high-density housing developments, the greater the reduction in the potential to produce food that can be accessed locally.

4. Is there anything missing that we should consider?

Please consider the long-term legacy of large parcels of ~~rural~~ rural property turning into high-density housing. Protect large areas of open space and rural properties.

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