



CLARK COUNTY COMMUNITY WORKSHOP – AGRICULTURAL LANDS STUDY
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2025
OPEN HOUSE – PUBLIC TESTIMONY

Battle Ground Community Center
912 E Main Street
Battle Ground, Washington

5:30 p.m.

TESTIMONY

HENRIKSON: Robert Henrikson, H-e-n-r-i-k-s-o-n. My address is 204, no, 24717 N.E. 204th Street, Battle Ground. And I think my land falls within the study area, it's just because there's nothing designated there, so I think it's like within the study area and I live east of here in Venersborg.

I have ten acres and it's divided into two five-acre parcels, and I want to be able to divide it into smaller parcels at least one of them into a two and a half acre so I can put a home for my wife and I to retire and then have my children live in the other two homes that are on each five-acre plot. So that's my concern.

So, and that's my input is that I would like to have smaller parcels. "Predominant parcel size, which may include smaller parcels if contiguous with other agricultural resource lands." Currently it's in agriculture for tax purposes and I've had cattle on there but I'm getting out of the cattle business because it's too hard to do, mending fences and getting, and working full-time, so I need to find other things to do to keep it in agriculture or I have to pay back taxes of \$25,000 to get out of that. So, they kind of got me over a barrel.

So, what I would like to do is just divide one of the five acres into two and a half acre plots and so I can put a home on it for my wife and I to grow old, to grow older with our grandchildren around instead of moving to a different city or a different piece of land. So that's it. So, I guess that's all I wanted.

This information here is good to know but I don't think it's going to be, I don't think that my land is considered agriculture, it's got a lot of rock on it, it's got rocky hills on it, you can't grow grass on it really as much so I just want to be able to divide it and put a house, one house, I don't want to put a subdivision on it, I just want to put a house on it which they won't allow me to do, so that's my two cents.