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More. Thanks.



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Clark County Council  
November 18, 2025  
Clark County Planning Commission  
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FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD AND THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Re: **Displacement causes harm and is not an authorized Growth Management**

## Act Planning Goal.

Clark County Citizens United, Inc.. a 501c4 non-profit representing approximately 6,000 members, has seen that for over three decades, Clark County's comprehensive growth plans have reshaped entire rural and resource county regions with vast large lot zoning. This has remade entire areas and created a campaign that has attempted to reshape people's behaviors and culture. No reports exist on what those sweeping land use zone changes say about the county's ambitions for displacements, and the impacts on relevant housing for future generations of rural families.

Rural county areas are home to nearly half the population. CCCU believes it's difficult for planners and elected officials to understand just what a massive shift this large lot zoning, allowed to remain over the past 31 years, has meant for generations of rural families, local economies, culture and housing relevant to the needs of this particular community. And yet, their needs and wants are being ignored.

The county *is not* responding to the unstable rural housing conditions. It is evident the current zoning is lasting far too long. While the zoning may create efficiencies for the county, it has saddled rural families with housing insecurity and trauma. The county's quest for regulated growth has ultimately created draconian restrictions on particular county families, resulting in great harm.

Over three decades, the county has achieved its goal of reducing rural buildable parcels through large lot zoning and restrictive environmental regulations. For 31 years, rural housing has been in a free fall. These regulatory actions have forced relocations to outside areas and forced families to live outside their familiar culture and heritage.

- ***This is displacement and is driven by the county's own actions.***
  - ***Displacement is not an authorized policy.***
  - ***Displacement is not an authorized GMA Planning Goal.***
- Displacement is trauma.***

***The Clark County Council must realize that the time is now, to reduce the harm that has been inflicted on the rural and resource landowners, who are half of Clark County.***

Sincerely,

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