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Good morning,

Please see the public comments below.

Thanks!



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Comprehensive Plan Update

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Comment

I am writing to request that your Comprehensive Plan Update not add additional land to the current UGA. Clark County's Preferred Alternative for the Comp Plan should reflect the county's prior decisions that all forecasted growth for housing, population, and employment can be accommodated within current UGAs.

In regards to the Cities of Ridgefield and LaCenter attempting to expand their UGA, I have a rather unique perspective to share with you. I have long history with both cities as a consulting civil engineer advising them on growth-related infrastructure. I was consulting city engineer to Ridgefield when they first adopted their comprehensive plan as mandated by the UGA. For the next two decades, that plan guided my utility planning and projects. I was consulting city engineer to LaCenter after they adopted their first comp plan, completed utility planning and projects afterwards. In both cases, I have been a careful observer of both communities in the decades since and have concluded that they over-expanded their UGA to the detriment of their citizenry. By developing valuable farmland, those cities have done harm to current and future generations of Clark County citizenry.

I live in Vancouver, Washington.