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Good day, Don,

Thank you for providing this feedback related to the Joint Hearing to select the Preferred Land Use Alternative for the 2025 Comprehensive Plan Update.

I am forwarding to additional members of Staff. Your comments will be brought to the attention of the Planning Commission and Council ahead of tonight's continuation of the Hearing. This will also be added to the Index of Record.

Best,



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Hello everyone, My name is Don Steinke

In 1970, I bought 10 acres of forest and farmland in east Clark County near Camas.

I bought it to protect it, not to profit from it.

I do not expect you to enrich me or my kids by rezoning it. My kids also want to protect the land.

To paraphrase Oregon's governor Tom McCall,

The interests of Clark County for today and in the future must be protected from the grasping hands of land speculation.

Unlimited and unregulated growth, leads to a lower quality of life, we must curb the ravenous rampage of suburbia and sprawl. End Tom McCall

When my neighbor created a cluster development, the County put up a sign saying, erosion control strictly enforced. Ironically, the very creation of the cluster development category is a form of erosion.

Your own modeling makes clear that all cities can accommodate all projected population growth within existing urban growth areas (UGAs). there is no legal reason to expand UGAs.

You are in the forever business. Unless you want all our food to come from Mexico, I encourage you to prevent further erosion of farm, forest and open space. You are not obligated to reward land speculators. Retain existing boundaries.