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Good day, Carol,

Thank you very much for submitting comments related to the 2025 Comprehensive Plan update.

These will be added to the Comprehensive Plan Index of Record. I am forwarding to Rebecca Messinger from the Council's Office for awareness and to share with the Council.

Best,

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Comments
Dear County Council

The WA Department of Commerce's evaluation of our county's draft Comprehensive Plan Update and has pointed out the plan's flaws. Specifically that there was insufficient analysis to support the expansion of urban growth areas outside of Vancouver and that it appeared that there is sufficient land for projected population increases in Clark County. There is no legal justification to expand the Urban Growth Areas.

In addition, there is no model or mechanism to determine what lands to even consider to de-designate from prime agricultural lands and farmlands of statewide importance. These are lands are a resource, irreplaceable, and necessary to keep our community sustainable, to provide habitat for wildlife, and to help safeguard water and air quality. It seems in the current plan, land adjacent to existing development is the primary factor in removing protected lands into the UGA, even though that is the definition of sprawl.

I have lived in the city of Vancouver for 27 years and have witnessed the development of once open farm and wooded lands in east Vancouver and north of Hazel Dell. There is a huge difference between sprawl and thoughtful development. There is no legal justification to de-designate agricultural lands.

The Commerce Department has given the county an opportunity to correct its choice of Comp Plan alternatives, to avoid litigation, delays, loss of funding. It's like Commerce has given you the answers to a high stakes exam. I urge you to consider and incorporate their responses into the Comprehensive Plan and revert to the alternative with no urban growth area expansions.

Our county's Agricultural Commission had it right in unanimously voting to keep all agricultural designations and asking for a moratorium on upzoing of lands that meet the legal criteria for ag designation. I urge you to consider the people in the future who will have to live with our decisions. Stop UGA expansions and to stop the de-designation of agricultural lands.

Thank you.

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