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Comment
The Comprehensive Plan Update should reflect that all forecasted employment and population growth can be accommodated within the current UGAs. Therefore, there is no legal justification to expand UGAs, a fact recently made clear by the Washington Department of Commerce in its letter to the County.

The parcels of agricultural land that the cities of Ridgefield and La Center have asked to de-designate are prime ag lands of statewide importance. De-designating these lands and bringing them into the UGAs would continue to undermine the capability of our farm sector to rise to its highest levels of productivity. Over the 21 years that I've lived in Clark County, we've lost way too much farm and forest land to development, and this process need to be brought under much greater control. The Council should honor the recommendation of the Agricultural Advisory Commission.

Clark County should match the City of Vancouver's goals for reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. Without explicit GHG reduction goals, the recommendations made by the Climate Community Advisory Group will be rendered toothless.

Respectfully,

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