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Save our farms

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Comment
My name is Ro, and I live in Amboy. I'm asking the council not to expand urban growth boundaries into farmland, especially in Ridgefield. Every week my family picks up a CSA share from a farm in Ridgefield, and it's one of the best parts of living in Clark County. We know the people who grow our food, we eat what's in season, and our money supports a neighbor instead of a distant corporation. Ridgefield's proposed expansion would put land like that farm's on the path to becoming subdivisions, and once it's gone, it's gone. I'm also an angler, and I care about what development does to our rivers and streams. Farmland and open space soak up rainwater and keep runoff out of the waterways where fish spawn; pavement and rooftops send it straight in. The Department of Commerce has said the current boundaries appear sufficient for projected growth, and the county's own data shows growth can be accommodated without building on farmland. There's no need to trade away working farms and healthy rivers for growth we can fit inside our existing cities. Please protect Clark County's farmland. Thank you.

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