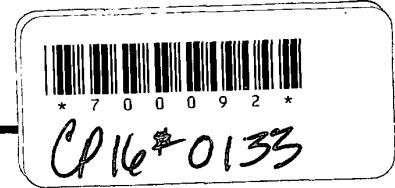


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**From:** LaRocque, Linnea on behalf of Barnes, Ed  
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Dear Commissioners,

CCCU, Inc. has been notified of a parcel of land that is proposed for Open Space taxation. The county claims that it has no value and should be public land. Yet a staff member claims that the land has prime agriculture soil with Ho soils. These soils were not included in our research, because they cannot support crops, year round, for long term commercial significance according to the GMA. These are low areas and wet soil and in order to use them for agricultural purposes, drainage and drain tile would need to be placed to dry the land out. The locations of these soils are in small islands and are scattered about the maps in local areas. Because of the wet climate, the growing season is limited. Environmental issues associated with this type of soil does not lend itself to prime and unique classification and most of this land is being used for pasture. In addition, some of these areas in Ho have also been designated with a mining overlay.

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