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Comments I would like to encourage the County Council to adopt the planning commission recommendations prior to Mr. Madore's mucking up the process with his "Alternatives" created by special interests who stand to profit from carving up our county. Our county needs to adhere to best practices and state law. Additionally, although it can be touching when individuals wish to carve out their property for their posterity, it is simply not feasible to make allowances for these requests (for example, a ten-acre lot within three generations could easily become ten or more one or fewer-acre lots) and unless the properties' zoning allows, splitting rural lots into multiple should be strongly restricted. Our rural school districts have suffered tremendously from unfettered development in Clark County coupled with rapid growth within the Urban Growth Boundary over the past two decades, particularly Battle Ground School District which I reside in. Coupled with its unfortunate presence of north Clark County, haven of anti-tax sentiment, the overcrowded aging facilities, the levy failures and bond failures have added up to less opportunity for students to compete in the 21st-century economy. We live in the most beautiful place in the world, and perhaps everyone wants to move here, but it simply must be in an organized, controlled, fee and tax-dollar maximizing method. Services are most affordable when concentrated in the Urban Growth areas and particularly in cities. We must preserve our precious farmland, water resources, and quality of life for future generations.

Thank you  
(While you are at it, please rescind that ridiculous, regressive, and unproductive fee waiver!)