April 29, 2014

Clark County Board of Commissioners
P.O. Box 5000
Vancouver, Washington 98666

Re: 20 Year Clark County Comprehensive Growth Management Plan 2004-2024

Dear Commissioners,

On behalf of Clark County Citizens United, Inc., I have been reading the latest edition of the Growth Management Plan, particularly the sections on rural lands, and comparing the information with Chapter 3 Rural and Natural Resource Element of the Comprehensive Plan. In my reading and understanding of both, I believe the county has a lot or work to do, for Chapter 3 to comply with the GMA. These are some of my concerns.

3.1 Clark County can ensure that a distinct option for rural living will be available for generations to come.

* providing a variety of densities for residential, commercial and industrial uses....

3.2 designation and conservation of a rural area.....

* the presence of large lots:

Planning for rural lands in Clark County is important....

* to supply nearby urban residents with locally harvested resource products that are fresh and often less costly:

3.3 * to provide for the planned future expansion of urban uses...

The Rural and Natural Resource Element.....

Rural Population Growth

The GMA requires that rural development be contained and controlled.....

The total county population projection (including urban and rural areas) over the next 20 years is approximately 584,310 persons.

Rural Land Distribution

Rural Commercial/Industrial Uses