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At the August 19 open house, I was very interested in the local food production material. I would like to see conservation of food production land included in the scope of the 2016 Comprehensive Plan Update. With even national grocery store chains touting their "local" food, it is clear that more people appreciate locally grown food. I purchase most of my produce at Joe's Place Farm and New Seasons Market, and I would like to see more food produced locally in Clark County. Of the many benefits, it would be good for our local economy to have more of our food produced nearby. Since the urban growth boundaries are not likely to change, this update seems like a good opportunity to study ways to encourage local food production and include them in the update. I was happy to learn that the urban growth boundaries are not likely to change due to the recession and being made so large in the 2007 update. I'm also happy to see the county has chosen to use the medium population growth forecast and the high employment forecast to hopefully move Clark County away from being a bedroom community and relief valve for Portland metro area residential growth. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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