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Gordy

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From: Sydney Reisbick [<mailto:reisbicks@comcast.net>]
Sent: Monday, September 01, 2014 7:46 PM
To: Euler, Gordon
Subject: Input for scoping for 2016 GMP

Greetings Gordy:

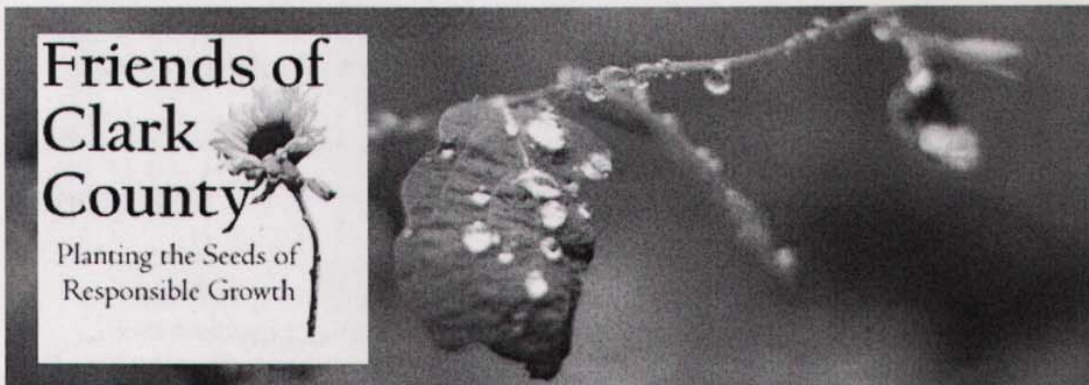
Good day to you. As you can see, this note and its attachment was sent in on Monday, Sept 1. We cannot send this comment letter through the website. Only 500 characters (not words) are allowed. This is very strange and unusual! As you see, the attached letter from Friends of Clark County has many more than 500 characters.

We expect you to accept the attached below and put it in the record. As a board, we have done a lot of thought and work to make it clear and concise and do want it submitted.

Note: This is different from my personal input.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Sydney Reisbick, President
Friends of Clark County



Scoping for Growth Management Plan EIS for SEPA: From

Friends of Clark County
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Please consider the following in the EIS for the 2016 GMP SEPA.

Friends of Clark County supports GMP options that do the following.

Sustainable, adequate clean water for all uses.

Allow development only if there is available water, already State code.

Hold that there must be sustainable available water.

Where possible, consider senior water rights.

Storm water:

Control storm water and remove pollution before putting it into waterways.

Control or store storm water in "recharge areas" that return water to aquifers.

Foster keeping natural wetlands rather than engineered (concrete) ones.

Working agriculture and forestry:

Reserve the best lands for agriculture and forestry.

Continue "right to farm". Allow roadside stands.

Do not de-designate lands without fulfilling all state required criteria.

Parks and Trails.

Provide for sufficient parks and places for children to play.

Discourage the development of housing complexes that lack places for children to play. Older people also need natural areas as well, for their mental wellbeing.

Link the parks and green spaces by trails and/or bike lanes.

Critical Areas Ordinance: Habitat, both wetland and upland.

Foster places for wildlife and native plants, as well as for endangered species.

Maintain green space around rivers and creeks and increase upland habitat.

Connect all of the above with trails and bike paths.

A “smart growth view” of infrastructure delivered for least cost to taxpayers.

Plan an efficient web of utilities, communication wires, roads and transit between dense cities. Plan efficient infrastructure within the green areas.

Plan to upgrade roads when they fail and thus prevent traffic spilling onto neighborhood streets. When traffic on the arterials does not move well, then traffic avoids those intersections and comes through the collectors. When collectors fail, then traffic comes through the neighborhood streets, endangering children and pets and increasing stress on homeowners from noise and need for vigilance.

Density in cities

Provide adequate Multi-unit housing for young and old Prepare for the eminent “baby boomer” wave.

Mixed -use zones.

Plan for senior housing complexes near hospitals, stores and transportation, for one example.

Energy

Reward energy efficiency and off grid energy production.