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**To:** Madore, David; MarkMcCauley@clark.wa.gov; Cnty 2016 Comp Plan  
**Subject:** growth management plan

Dear Mr. Madore ,

I want to thank you for taking the time to talk with me last night at the open house . I'm the one that mentioned that I was told that your Dad attends our church. I'm writing you today to express my feelings that while Alternative 4 is a great improvement over the other alternatives and will help fix the problem we've had for the last 20 years of our property being held hostage , it needs to be more generous .

We own 80 acres at the corner of NW Kreiger Rd and NW 192nd St. As we discussed last night our property is presently zoned Ag-20 and apparently with alternative 4 would become Ag-10 , but our property is bordered on two sides by land that is zoned Rural-2.5 and on a third side by homes on one acre lots. The fourth side is bordered by Kreiger Rd and then slopes down to the Lake River bottoms . Our property also has Clark PUD public water running along it on 192nd St . I feel our property should be zoned in a manner represents the character of those around it.

The property as stated above is 80 acres but only about half of it is useable because the other half is made up of canyon and high quality wetlands . So there will always be about 40 acres of open space . The fact that this land is zoned for agriculture is not a good representation of the state of agriculture in this county as we used to know it . Farming is no longer a viable enterprise. Proof of this is that we rent this land to a farmer for agricultural purposes , but due to the profitability of the business the most he is willing to pay is \$2000.00 per year which basically covers our costs . So you can see agriculture is no longer a thriving business here in Clark Co. as also evidenced by all the farms that used to be here and no longer exist.

Another problem we have had to deal with is complaints from neighbors of our property about normal farming practices that our renter has to use to produce his crop , such as spraying herbicides , working at night , noise etc.

One question I have or need clarification on , is about the Cluster Development program for Ag. lands . It is my understanding that this program is to be reinstated again after 20 years with all the different alternatives, which would mean that will definitely be an option again come June , 2016 . I would like a response back clarifying this for me please . If that becomes an option , then our neighbor is Confluence Winery and Greg mentioned about the possibility of any useable space being left from that program being used as part of a winery overlay.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this matter. Look forward to your response concerning the Cluster Development program.

Sincerely,

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