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Our great-grandfather, John H. Fletcher, was elected Clark County Assessor in 1874 and again in 1882; he was a prune rancher along the Columbia.

Our family has tried to responsibly manage agricultural or forest land in Clark County ever since. But we have found the restrictive zoning treatment of forest land in the 1994 CGMP very difficult to work with.

I am currently 82 years old, living on my husband's tree farm in King County but still actively involved with family tree farm operations in Clark County and I beg you to make estate planning and generational land transfer more reasonable for owners of forest land in Clark County. Please give us forest landowners more flexibility to manage our lands, and help us to keep our children and grandchildren in sustainable, managed forestry. We family tree farmers are much better stewards of the land than the large industrial landowners!

Sincerely,

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