Unique ID	Date	Entered by	Commenter Name	Position on the Proposal	Highlighted Topics
1	7/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Loretta Seppanen	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	National Significant Agriculture Lands Status; Maps Created by TRPC; and Open Space Ag Tax Status
2	8/2/2021	Andrew Boughan	Loretta Seppanen	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over piecemeal review of rezones from Ag to Industrial; Concern over SEPA Review Procedures and Analysis; and Open Space Ag tax Exemption Status.
3	8/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Nathaniel Jones	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over proposals compliance with Thurston County Comp Plan; Compliance with GMA; and Concern over No Net Loss of Ag Lands Policy
4	8/17/2021	Andrew Boughan	Heather Wheatley	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over SEPA Compliance, Review Criteria, and Analysis; Pressures of Development in the Rural County; and Believes the County should require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
5	9/12/2021	Andrew Boughan	Loretta Seppanen	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over Lewis County Planning Policies and Vision overshadowing Thurston County's Policies and Vision for the Rural Areas; Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29 and how that will impact other parcels in the County.
6	9/12/2021	Andrew Boughan	Josh Stottlemyer	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the excessive number of warehouses being constructed and how the industry will evolve over the decade; Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29 and how this will allow additional industrial uses to be created.

7	9/13/2021	Andrew Boughan	Esther Grace Kronenberg	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Highlights the importance of farmland to south Thurston County; Concern over warehousing and its compatibility with the current Comprehensive Plan; Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first; and Concern over the visual impact of warehousing along the Interstate 5 corridor.
8	9/14/2021	Andrew Boughan	Black Hills Audubon Society	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over not aligning with the current Comprehensive Plan and goals of Growth Management Act for Thurston County; Highlights the viability of agriculture on the two parcels; and concern over the code change and how it could impact the entire county.
9	9/15/2021	Andrew Boughan	Lynn Fitz-Hugh	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the transition of land from farmland to industrial and the impacts on climate change; Highlights the Climate Mitigation Plan and the need for regenerative agriculture; and concern over the quality of the jobs produced by warehousing and the overall economics.
10	9/20/2021	Andrew Boughan	David Roewe	They support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
11	9/23/2021	Andrew Boughan	Lisa Ornstn	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concerned over the impact of the code change on farmland and the Comprehensive Plan; Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first; and Believes the County should docket and conduct a Community-Driven Review of Warehousing Need in 2022-2023.

12	9/23/2021	Andrew Boughan	Madeline Bishop	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes the County should conduct a study to determine the need and location of future industrial; Concern over piecemeal review of rezones from Ag to Industrial; Highlights need for County study on Industrial; and Highlights importance for cohesion with Comprehensive Plan and Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan.
13	9/24/2021	Andrew Boughan	Jeff Merryman	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of ag lands; Believes a TDR requirement should exist for ag preservation; Concern over increase in carbon positive businesses; and Highlights the cannabis industry and County requirements.
14	9/26/2021	Andrew Boughan	Maureen and Kent Canny	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes a study should be done on rural warehousing; Concern over proposal's compliance with Thurston County Comp Plan; Highlights code change impact on County; and Highlights Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan.
15	9/26/2021	Andrew Boughan	John Gear	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Highlights the importance of farmland.
16	9/26/2021	Andrew Boughan	Colleen Graney	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Highlights the viability of agriculture on the two parcels; Concern over the code change and how it could impact the entire county; and Highlights the Climate Mitigation Plan.
17	9/26/2021	Andrew Boughan	Pamela Pride	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over generic warehousing compliance with Thurston County Comp Plan.
18	9/27/2021	Andrew Boughan	Robert Clark	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes the County should docket and conduct a Community-Driven Review of Rural Warehousing in 2022-2023.
19	9/27/2021	Andrew Boughan	Michele Schlegel	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.

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20	9/27/2021	Andrew Boughan	Robyn Chance	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Highlights the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan; Believes the County should docket and conduct a Community-Driven Review of Rural Warehousing in 2022-2023.
21	9/27/2021	Andrew Boughan	Joni Brill	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County; Believes that the CP-16 - Community- Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first; and Highlights the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan.
22	9/27/2021	Andrew Boughan	Shelley Kneip	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Highlights the requirements of GMA and how the proposal does not comply; Believes that the CP-16 Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first; Concern over the County's RRI zoning code not conforming with the County Comp Plan; Highlights the Washington courts and that substantial change must occur for site specific rezone; and Concern over piecemeal request to change Title 20.
23	9/27/2021	Andrew Boughan	Nancy Stevenson	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first
24	9/28/2021	Andrew Boughan	Roy Treadway	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County; References Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan.
25	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	Rachel Friedman	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County.
26	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	Elizabeth Rodrick	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29 and comprehensive plan; Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County; and References 2021 Buildable Lands Report.

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27	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	Diana Moore	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over compliance/changing the comprehensive plan; Believes the Commission should prioritize rural character.
28	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	Sam Merrill	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Supports the Black Hills Audubon Society public comment.
29	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	Elizabeth DeWreede	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; Concern over amending the Comprehensive Plan; and Believes the County should conduct a study of Rural Warehousing needs.
30	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	Melissa Southwick	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over amending the Comprehensive Plan; Highlights GMA priorities; and Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County.
31	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	Sharalyn Peterson	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first.
32	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	Andrea Barranger	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
33	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	William Dean	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes the County should conduct a study of Rural Warehousing needs; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; and Concern over environmental impacts of proposed change.

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34	9/29/2021	Andrew Boughan	Lauren Schreiber	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County; Believes that the CP-16 - Community- Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first; and Believes the County should conduct a study of Rural Warehousing needs.
35	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	James J Stewart	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Supports the Black Hills Audubon Society public comment.
36	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Ami Greenberg	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
37	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Thad Curtz	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County; Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29 and how that will impact other parcels in the County.
38	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Kathleen Snyder	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County; and Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first.
39	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Nora White	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County; Believes that the CP-16 - Community- Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first.
40	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Faith Hagenhofer	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
41	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Laurence Reeves	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County.

42	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Maxine Dunkelman	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29 and comprehensive plan; Believes the County should conduct a study of Rural Warehousing needs; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; References GMA priorities; and Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first.
43	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Donna Snow	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County.
44	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Margery D Beeler	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
45	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Ursula Euler	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29 and comprehensive plan.
46	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Janet Strong	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes there is adequate acreage dedicated to industrial uses and should be reduced.
47	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Monica Hoover	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	References 2021 Buildable Lands Report. Believes there is adequate acreage dedicated to industrial uses and should be reduced.
48	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Eugene (Gene) Hoover	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes there is adequate acreage dedicated to industrial uses; Believes the County should conduct a study of Rural Warehousing needs.
49	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Samuel Merrill	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29 and how that will impact other parcels in the County; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; and Concern over amending the Comprehensive Plan.

50	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Susan Alcorn	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County.
51	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Esther Kronenberg	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over allowing additional warehouse sites; Concern over amending the comprehensive plan.
52	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Warren Kronenberg	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County.
53	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Jessica Rose	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	References 2021 Buildable Lands Report.
54	9/30/2021	Andrew Boughan	Anne Van Sweringen	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
55	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	Lance Levine	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
56	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	Dennis Plank	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes the County should discourage all development.
57	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	Sharon E Herting	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland; Believes the County should conduct study and create a plan.
58	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	Teva Grudin	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County; Concern over amendment to Title 20; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; Highlights the GMA; and Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first
59	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	Julia Brayshaw	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in south Thurston County.

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60	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	Paul Bakke	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan	Concern over compliance with current Comprehensive Plan; Highlights the GMA
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61	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	Sally Nole	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over amending the Comprehensive Plan.
62	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	L John Kleinpell	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of agricultural land in Thurston County.
63	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	Jean Maust	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over environmental impacts of proposed change. References Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan.
64	10/1/2021	Andrew Boughan	Brent Swift	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
65	10/2/2021	Andrew Boughan	Alice Flegel	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of agricultural land in Thurston County.
66	10/2/2021	Andrew Boughan	Chad Maurer	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes there is adequate acreage dedicated to industrial uses.
67	10/2/2021	Andrew Boughan	Patricia Rutherford	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
68	10/2/2021	Andrew Boughan	Lorraine F James	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over Up Castle proposal's compliance with RRI zoning code; Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first to determine if rezone is appropriate.
69	10/2/2021	Andrew Boughan	Elizabeth Rodrick	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
70	10/2/2021	Andrew Boughan	Muriel Davis	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes the County should conduct a study of Rural Warehousing needs.

71	10/2/2021	Andrew Boughan	Rick Flegel	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of agricultural land in Thurston County.
72	10/2/2021	Andrew Boughan	Wendy Walker	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes the County should follow the current vision of the Comprehensive Plan; Highlights the GMA priorities.
73	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Kenneth Koernke	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
74	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Hisami Yoshida	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
75	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Subodai213	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
76	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Daniel Einstein	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29 and how that will impact other parcels in the County;  Believes the County should require an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or Determination of Non-Significance prior to PC public hearing; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; and Concern over amending the Comprehensive Plan.
77	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Alyssa Lyon	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29 and how that will impact other parcels in the County.
78	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Matthew Lyon	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
79	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Maurice Major	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the Amendment to Title 20.29.
80	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Tom Crawford	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	References Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan.

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81	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Susan McRae	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of agricultural land in Thurston County; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report.
82	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Quentin Phillips	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
83	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Larry Remmers	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over environmental impacts of industrial development.
84	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Gail Pethe	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over environmental impacts of development.
85	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Glen Anderson	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over elected official's commitment to issues.
86	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Susan Sandwell	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes there is adequate acreage dedicated to industrial uses; Concern over the loss of agricultural land in Thurston County; and Concern over amending the Comprehensive Plan.
87	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Veronica Howard	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over allowing additional warehouse sites; Believes the County should focus on more sustainable building and site standards.
88	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Phyllis A Farrell	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of agricultural land in Thurston County; Highlights the GMA priorities; and Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first.
89	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Ellen Zito	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
90	10/3/2021	Andrew Boughan	Sarah Hamman	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland and habitat in south Thurston County.

91	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Sue Danver	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
92	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Amy Fisher	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes there is adequate acreage dedicated to industrial uses; Concern over the loss of agricultural land in Thurston County.
93	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Doug Buster	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of agricultural land in Thurston County; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report.
94	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Bob Metzger	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over amending the Comprehensive Plan; Concern over the loss of agricultural land in Thurston County.
95	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Diane Smith	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.
96	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Aimee C Richardson	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Believes the County should conduct a study of Rural Warehousing needs; References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; Concern over amendment to Comprehensive Plan; and Believes that the CP-16 - Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs should be completed first.
97	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Amy E Stottlemyer	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	References 2021 Buildable Lands Report; Concern over the change in zoning and its effects on property owners.
98	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Peggy Butler	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County.
99	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Margaret Rader	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	Concern over the loss of farmland in Thurston County.
100	10/4/2021	Andrew Boughan	Rick Jordan	They do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal.	No additional topics discussed.

From: Loretta Seppanen
To: Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

**Date:** Friday, July 30, 2021 4:22:58 PM

Name: Loretta Seppanen

Email: Laurel.lodge@comcast.net

**Comment:** The Up Castle land is currently farmland, a small portion of which is National Significant Ag Land. This facts need to be shared with the Planning Commission and the general public. Please see the special maps of farmland created by the TRPC staff to confirm the ag land status. Most of the land is under Open Space Ag tax status designed to protect the land as farmland based on the incentive of lowered taxes for the land owner.

Time: July 30, 2021 at 11:22 pm IP Address: 73.221.17.236

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amendment/

 From:
 Sandler & Seppanen

 To:
 Andrew Boughan

 Cc:
 Jennifer Davis

Subject: RE: Please send a copy of the site plan attached to the SEPA Checklist for project CPA-19

**Date:** Monday, August 2, 2021 8:01:55 PM

#### Andrew,

Thanks for sending the item referred to in the SEPA checklist as the required attached site plan. The document provided does not qualify as a site plan. Since you have accepted the checklist and its reference site plan, this inadequate document should be made public.

I want to be clear with you that I completely disagree with your assessment that this is "simply to rezone the parcel." I also am requesting that you present this proposal in different terms to the Planning Commission and in any future communication with the public on this matter. Let me explain why I say this.

This is a request is to move from Rural Resource Residential Resource to Rural Resource Industrial land and to additionally change the Comp Plan wording about what is allowed in Rural Industrial Land. RRR 1/5 allows for housing, timber and ag. RRI does not. Changes in zoning is never a simple request, but part of the larger picture of what the community wants. As you are aware, a similar proposal is on the Docket in CPA-20. It is inappropriate to look at these matters in a piecemeal fashion applying to a single parcel (or two parcels in this case.) If RRI can be easily changed to include warehousing and manufacturing that is minimally or not at all related to ag, timber or mineral the door is open for a different rural character than that described in the Comp Plan and consistent with the many community meetings and comments that led to the approval of that description.

You are aware that the Growth Boards and the Courts have said that there must be a more rigorous review on a comp plan and zoning change than on permit decisions. Regulations and courts have said that SEPA must be conducted at the earliest stage possible when a proposal is known. The SEPA analysis should be robust enough to consider the impacts that will be foreseeable from the zoning change. That would include consideration of the future development of the land. A SEPA analysis needs to consider the impact of the rezone on the lands adjacent to this property including the housing in all three directions on the land in Thurston County along with the large Long Term Ag designated land just a few blocks to the west of the property. This is not "simply" a map change from one zone category to another zone.

Thurston County elects to hold off on doing a determination of significance, a SEPA analysis, until AFTER the community has been engaged via a public hearing and after the planning commission makes what could be an ill-informed recommendation to the BoCC - ill-informed due to the lack of a SEPA review. This is the process you must work under until it can be changed. Please be aware that I find the process choice made by Thurston County problematic - lacking in transparency and rigor. I gather that I am not alone in this view.

Similarly, the change to specifically allow manufacturing and warehousing on this site needs a robust SEPA analysis as it changes the Comp Plan concept of RRI.

I request that you not minimize this rezone request when you speak to the Planning Commission Wednesday. I request that you reference the GMA requirements of rigorous review of comp plan and zoning changes. Lacking any rigor at this stage, I assume you will not ask the commission to set a hearing date at this time.

This property is farmland, and this county is seeking to achieve no net loss of farmland according to the Comp Plan. CPA-16 is working toward changes in policies and programs to better achieve that goal. One possible change could be to include these specific parcels in the larger LTA land just to the west of the parcels. The land under consideration has been in agriculture recently enough that as of today the assessor's office consider the land as Open Space Ag. To meet that requirement, it must show ag revenue per a specific tax IRS document in at least three of the last five year. The current owners bought the land in 2017, about five years ago. My assumption is that the current owners lease the land for hay and/or pasture. The assessor's office assumes it is still being used as pastureland per a call to them today. Pastureland is the key use of farm acreage in this county. I request that you share this information about the farming status with the Planning Commission on Wednesday night.

Loretta Seppanen 360 786 9775

----Original Message-----

From: Andrew Boughan <andrew.boughan@co.thurston.wa.us>

Sent: Monday, August 2, 2021 1:33 PM

To: Sandler & Seppanen < Laurel. Lodge @Comcast. Net>

Subject: RE: Please send a copy of the site plan attached to the SEPA

Checklist for project CPA-19

Good afternoon Loretta,

Thank you for your interest in the project. There is not a project specific site plan, but rather a general aerial showing the site and the adjacent transportation routes. There is no site work proposed with this project. The current proposal is simply to rezone the parcels to allow for future development options.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thank you,

Andrew Boughan | Associate Planner

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----Original Message-----

From: Sandler & Seppanen < Laurel. Lodge@Comcast. Net>

Sent: Monday, August 2, 2021 11:47 AM

To: Andrew Boughan <andrew.boughan@co.thurston.wa.us>

Subject: Please send a copy of the site plan attached to the SEPA Checklist for project CPA-19

Andrew,

According to the CPA-19 SEPA Check list item 14.a a site plan related to transportation routes was included attached. It is not included with the checklist online. Can you send that to me and add it to the documents online?

Loretta Seppanen

From: Nathaniel Jones <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Tuesday, August 3, 2021 3:47 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Nathaniel Jones

Email: nkhl@comcast.net

**Comment:** Please do not advance this proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment. With the proposed amendment, the proponent asserts that future development could be 500,000 square feet of warehouse space and supports this request by pointing to Lewis County infill development as a changed condition that makes the current agricultural zoning inappropriate. However, this logic fails to acknowledge Thurston County's land-use policies or the State's guidance on Comp Plan changes.

This proposal fails to comply with relevant Comp Plan Policies for RRI zoning, including:

Goal 1, Objective A, Policy 8, which supports those industries that are compatible with a rural setting,

Goal 1, Objective B, Policy 10, which allows rezones when circumstances have substantially changed since the current land use was adopted, and

Goal 1, Objective D, Policy 3, which allows the creation of more industrial land when current reserves have become inadequate.

This proposal fails to comply with relevant State GMA Planning Goals, including those that encourage the conservation of agricultural lands and discourage creating incompatible uses.

This parcel is currently in agricultural use. Converting this land to allow warehouses works against Thurston County's stated goal of no-net-loss of ag lands. Please reject this proposal. A more appropriate action would be to convert this property from RRR to LTA or Long Term Agriculture.

Time: August 3, 2021 at 10:46 pm

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From: Helen Wheatley <donotreply@wordpress.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 3:07 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Helen Wheatley

Email: h.wheatley100@gmail.com

Comment: I am writing in opposition to the proposed Land Use & Rezone Amendment (Docket Item CP-19)

The Up Castle property is a good example of why our County has devoted considerable effort to regulating the sale of farm land. Despite a clear policy of rural farmland protection, to which we have now added the goals of the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan, we still lose thousands of acres of farmland every year. Mitigation of the loss of good cropland is becoming an increasingly difficult proposition. As it becomes more and more rare, every reasonable opportunity must be taken to preserve agricultural land.

Working contrary to this urgent imperative, we have an unfortunate history in Thurston County, of ignoring the letter and the spirit of SEPA (Chapter 43.21C RCW), by failing to perform an adequate SEPA environmental analysis (e.g., checklists) for Nonproject Actions such as this comprehensive plan amendment. CP-19 requires a SEPA checklist that is based on the proposed future action, which is well known, and on its potential impact throughout the county in regard to similar land use rezonings.

At issue here, is the conversion of more of our County's quality farmland into a warehouse & distribution/logistics center of up to 500,000 square feet.

We are well aware of the immense pressure on our rural resource lands in recent years to be converted, not only to rural residential use as the population grows, but to this kind of use based on land price and geographical concerns that are entirely unrelated to our County's rural resources.

SEPA is very clear that there are ways to recover the costs of performing the necessary work to create a SEPA checklist that provides information based on the planned use rather than a long list of answers of "unknown" or "n/a." There is no grounds to try to achieve false economies by waiting until later (until after the Commissioners make their decision, or until the project application) to do environmental analysis.

The whole point of the SEPA determination process is to provide the best possible information in a timely manner, upon which to base a decision. We must have thorough environmental analysis of this Nonproject Action, where the intended project is very well known and therefore subject to evaluation:

"at the earliest possible time to ensure that planning and decisions reflect environmental values, to avoid delays later in the process, and to seek to resolve potential problems." (Thurston County Code 17.09.020)

Also see Thurston County Code 17.09.050, Part Four: Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), Additional Timing Considerations:

"Whenever practicable the DNS or draft EIS for the proposal may accompany the county's staff recommendation to any appropriate advisory body, such as the planning commission. The DNS or final EIS for the proposal shall be considered by the final decision maker, such as the board of county commissioners, prior to final action."

I believe that, if it were conducted according to the letter and intent of the law to provide full information to the decision-making body, the environmental analysis would result in a Determination of Significance for this proposed Nonproject Action.

Our County Commissioners must have full information before them, including an EIS if necessary (and I contend that an adequate SEPA checklist would result in a Determination of Significance), in order to achieve the optimum policy outcome with their decision. There is no doubt: the requested amendment would end in an irrevocable qualitative loss, and a net loss, of farmland.

Time: August 17, 2021 at 10:06 pm

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From: Sandler & Seppanen <Laurel.Lodge@Comcast.Net>

Sent: Sunday, September 12, 2021 4:25 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** Reject the Up Castle Proposal and the idea that Lewis County vision for I-5 parcels fits Thurston

County - CPA 19 Comment

#### Planning Commissioners,

I write to ask you to not make the proposed change to Thurston Code 20.29.020 (permitted uses in Rural Resource Industrial Areas) as requested by Up Castle (CPA 19). The change would essentially bring a Lewis County planning vision for I-5 parcels into Thurston County. Lewis County codes much of the land around and between I-5 and Old Highway 99 as Urban Growth Area. In the UGA, they allow warehouses that are visible on this map. Thurston County codes its land just the north of the county line and along I-5 as Rural Residential Resource lands (farms, timber, homes.)

# CPA-19 sits among farmed land and wooded homeste In Lewis County farmland is now warehouses and urban inc



The CPA 19 proposal would use the same road access to the warehouse that serves the Lewis County's Urban Growth Area warehouses. This proposal significantly challenges the integrity of Thurston County's vision of the functional and visual characteristics of the rural part of the county.

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The language in the code change would open the door to more rezone requests further north, thus again changing the functional and visual character of the rural part of the county. Before the October 6 hearing, I urge the Planning Commission to ask staff or a map of all areas that would be subsequently open to rezone requests to house manufacturing or warehouse facilities if the code changes. I suggest that map would include 300 acres surrounding the current of RRI zone at the Maytown/I-5 interchange. If any portion of the Maytown road east of the freeway were to be rezoned, then the property further to the east could request a rezone to allow a warehouse. The snowball effect could continue with an RRI zone all the way to Old Highway 99 and then north on 99 to the urban area.

Loretta Seppanen Olympia, WA

From: Josh <toodeep\_one@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 12, 2021 4:54 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** Comments on CPA 19, Up Castle Rezone and Code Change

Their are significant problems with putting warehouses on farmland, not only is Thurston County farmland disappearing at an alarming rate, but we simply don't need more warehouses or warehouse jobs here. The warehouses we have in this county already cannot even come close to filling open positions, just check the employment listings or call any staffing agency. It is also well know that the maximum time most people work in a large warehouse is 3 years. This is due to the stress on the body and the extremely demanding work pace requirements. Further 99% of warehouse workers are "temporary" staff with no benefits, no raises, no paid time off. Just before federal or state benefit requirements kick in they end the temp contract, but tell them to reapply with a different agency for the same job.

With the dozens of very large warehouses in the county already fighting for too few workers, which as time goes on will only get worse, what benefit does adding more mega warehouses do? It causes environmental destruction, contaminates water, destroys habitat, and with warehouse automation surely to become the norm in the next 10 year, we will be left with giant buildings maned by virtually no one. Not even the 1.5 people per acre they typically employ now.

Is destroying scares farmland in exchange for 50 or 100 on site temp jobs that and a bunch of truckers that probably don't live here, both of which will be replaced with automation in the not too distant future, worth it? Clearly the answer is no.

Further, in no circumstances should we change the RRI rules county wide allowing for more warehouse and warehouse creep throughout our county. That should not be hidden away in a single rezone request, that is it's own issue that should have separate hearings, of course it should not even be consider, but certainly should not happen as a line item in a single rezone project.

Say no to the Up Castle Rezone and to the associate code change.

Thank you, Josh Stottlemyer Olympia, WA - Unincorporated Thurston County

From: Esther Grace Kronenberg <wekrone@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, September 13, 2021 6:35 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** Up Castle rezone comments

Hello Planning Commission,

I write to oppose the proposed Code Changes that would allow a warehouse to be built on land that has been farmed for decades which includes prime agricultural soils.

South Thurston County is rural and it is precious. We need our farmland and this need will only increase in the future as droughts and fires consume our usual sources of arable land.

Farmland is infinitely more precious than a warehouse. According to the 2021 Buildable Lands Report, there are 1,415 acres of land in the cities of Olympia, Tumwater and Lacey available for commercial and industrial use, as well as 122 acres of vacant land nearby in the Grand Mound UGA. We should not be diminishing the availability of prime agricultural land and despoiling the rural character of South County by building warehouses where they are not needed.

Warehouses do not fit the Comprehensive Plan vision for our rural lands. The only rural industrial uses envisioned in the Comprehensive Plan are those "related to and dependent on natural resources, such as agriculture timber or minerals." A warehouse has no relation to rural or resource based activities. It would completely transform the character of our rural landscape.

Also, since the County is still involved in the Community Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs, it would be rash to make such a change before the County has reviewed the criteria for Long-Term Agricultural zoning.

Driving up I-5 all the way to Everett, one sees the result of allowing industrial and commercial use of lands outside denser residential areas. The entire landscape is transformed into one unending parade of commercial activity. What a pleasure to return to Olympia, where nature still has a presence! We seem to have forgotten that all this commercial activity ultimately depends on our natural resources, on our land, and that without that land, we cannot thrive.

There is nothing more precious than our natural resources. They give us the resiliency to adapt to a rapidly changing world. As the Planning Commission, you are charged with thinking beyond the rights of individual property owners to the needs of the whole community. I urge you to protect our rural areas for the common good now and into the future.

Thank you. Esther Kronenberg Olympia WA

From: Charlotte Persons <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 4:12 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Charlotte Persons

Email: cpeople2u@gmail.coom

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Comment: FROM:

Black Hills Audubon Society

A Washington State Chapter of the National Audubon Society P.O. Box 2524, Olympia, WA 98507

(360) 352-7299 www.blackhills-audubon.org

Black Hills Audubon Society is a volunteer, non-profit organization of more than 1,300 members in Thurston, Mason, and Lewis Counties whose goals are to promote environmental education and protect our ecosystems for future generations.

September 14, 2021

Re: CP-019, UP Castle Application for Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezone

#### **Dear Planning Commissioners:**

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed Comprehensive Plan Amendment/Code Change. Black Hills Audubon Society is a 1300-member chapter of National Audubon Society. Part of our mission is to protect habitat and a healthy environment.

We urge you NOT to recommend that the UP Castle Comprehensive Plan amendment be considered for adoption by the Thurston Board of Commissioners. The current Comprehensive Plan for Thurston County should be upheld – it outlines a vision for the county that preserves the rural character of lands and land uses beyond the cities' urban growth boundaries. In addition, like the Growth Management Act, the Comprehensive Plan puts a premium on conserving farmland. Please uphold the values embedded in the Comprehensive Plan and stand firm AGAINST the UP Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment.

Specifically, the two land parcels that are the subject of the UP Castle application are farmland worth preserving. Contrary to the applicant's claim, these parcels are viable for small scale farming. Both parcels have been farmed for a long time, and the owners have paid taxes on the larger parcel under the Open Space Agricultural Current Use Tax program. Both parcels have good quality soils – the smaller parcel is Indianola loamy sand, one of the highest quality soils. The larger parcel is 20% that same soil, and the rest is another high quality soil, Nisqually loamy fine sand, an excellent soil when irrigated. The farmland in the UP Castle proposal should not be rezoned industrial.

Most important, the code changes proposed as part of the Comprehensive Plan Amendment would apply right now only to the two parcels in the application from UP Castle. But their adoption would make it easier for future applications to rezone RR land to RRI.

Here is the new code language:

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- 5. For sites that meet all of the locational and performance criteria in subsection (5)(a) below, the uses listed in subsection (5)(b) below are also permitted:
- a. Locational and performance criteria
- i. Located within one-half mile of an Interstate 5 interchange or adjacent to industrial development as of date;
- Ii. Vehicular access is from a county arterial or collector road or state highway or adjacent to an existing industrial development utilizing existing county roads and within 500 feet of county arterial or collector road or state highway;

The language added in 5.a.i. will make it easier for any future application for RR land to be zoned RRI on the basis that it is adjacent to industrial land. Similarly, the language added in 5.a.ii. will make it easier for future applications for RR land to be zoned RRI if just about any kind of major road is nearby.

On a practical level, this means that one by one current farmland parcels could be re-zoned industrial. This will make a mockery of the Comprehensive Plan.

Black Hills Audubon Society urges the Planning Commission to reject this application. Sincerely,

Charlotte Persons
Conservation Committee Black Hills Audubon Society

Time: September 14, 2021 at 11:12 pm

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From: Lynn Fitz-Hugh <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 15, 2021 11:50 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Lynn Fitz-Hugh

Email: lynn.fitzhugh@earthlink.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Under climate change this is a bad idea. It creates a process and precedent that will move more farmland out of agriculture and into industrial purposes. Marilyn Sitaker before she moved did research indicating that we do not have adequate farm land west of the mountains to feed the population west of the mountains. In terms of climate disruption and adaptation and breaking down distribution chains already happening under Covid, it is very important that we build not dismantle our local farming capacity.

Also under the Climate Mitigation plan it calls for more regenerative agriculture. Loretta Seppanen's analysis shows that we do not have enough farmland existing that is appropriate to meet that goal and that what needs to happen in conversion of more land to farmland. At minimum more land needs to be sequestering (trees being another way). Warehouses do NOT sequester, but rather bring more diesel traffic adding to our greenhouse gases. The proposed zoning changes will open up a Pandora's box, creating more requests to deparcel in this way. While not so much on this site for many sites it will me massive cutting of trees which also does not support the goals of the climate mitigation plan, or the Counties stated long term goals.

We also know that warehouse jobs are low wage jobs and are not adding a real asset to the county. Therefore, who benefits from this? The Developer that builds in and the warehouse owner, and they alone. We have to stop doing things for the profit of the few. Climate change only has room for things that benefit the community in healing our planet.

Thank you for your consideration to this matter.

Time: September 15, 2021 at 6:50 pm

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From: David Roewe <davidroewe@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, September 20, 2021 1:35 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** Parcel 13524430400 and 13524430500

## Andrew,

I received your letter regarding the rezoning on the two parcel above. I am the owner of an adjacent parcel and I support the re-zone

Please include my support for this project and include this email to the record for the hearing on October 6, 2021

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Dave

## **David Roewe**

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From: Lisa Ornstn <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 23, 2021 8:15 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Lisa Ornstn

Email: lisa.ornstein@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** It is irresponsible to make an amendment change which will adversely effect the future of farmland throughout our county on the basis of a rezone petition from a single landowner, without careful consideration of the need for such rezoning and its impact on Thurston County's Comprehensive Plan vision for rural lands. As a Thurston County taxpayer who supports our local farmers and the protection of environmental sensitive rural lands, I want you to complete the Community- Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs, CP - 16 project, before rezoning any farmed land.

I further want the BoCC to include a Community-Driven Review of Rural Warehousing Needs, Policy, and Code Language in the 2022-23 Docket.

Sincerely,

Lisa Ornstein 3010 28th Ave. SE Olympia, WA 98501

Time: September 23, 2021 at 3:14 pm

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From: Madeline Bishop <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 23, 2021 2:02 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Madeline Bishop

Email: mfbishop.bishop@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Comment: First study, then plan. We do not want a county wide free-for-all!

Do not rezone based on just one landowner application. Don't rezone good farmland. Thurston County should only make code changes after studying county-wide impact. After the study, then create a plan that fits with the Comprehensive Plan vision for rural lands and the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan which calls for preservation of farmland and environmentally sensitive rural lands.

Sincerely,

Madeline Bishop from Olympia,98513

Time: September 23, 2021 at 9:01 pm

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From: Jeff Merryman <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Friday, September 24, 2021 10:49 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Jeff Merryman

Email: merrymanjc@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** In the last 20 years we have lost a third of our farmland here in South Thurston County. We need to stop this madness of turning our farmland into carbon positive land. It's just going to add to the global warming problems.

In this county you can sell your developmental rights from your land to build houses elsewhere.

Maybe all the acreage that they want to turn to industrial they should have to buy residential/industrial somewhere else and turn it back into farmland therefore it's a wash.

we've lost our farmland to tribal enterprises that then come in and put carbon positive businesses everywhere now we're losing the rest of our farmland because private citizens also want to put carbon positive industries on the land to make money too.

now the rest of the citizenss have to pay extra taxes in the state because of the global warming damages that are being done by all these carbon positive industries that you are allowing.

The worst part is cannabis farmers have to buy 40 acres to open up a cannabis farm that's either carbon neutral or carbon negative but our county commissioners would rather allow a carbon positive to be put in before a carbon neutral or a carbon negative.

how about we offset the damages that the county commissioners are allowing and allow cannabis production to be on 5 acre parcels with 25ft setbacks this way having all those plants growing can offset the damages from this rural residential industrial area that is being proposed.

Time: September 25, 2021 at 5:48 am

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From: Maureen and Kent Canny <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, September 26, 2021 4:46 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Maureen and Kent Canny

Email: mocanny@comcast.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We do not support this amendment proposal for these reasons:

- 1) It's counter-productive to rezone good farmland.
- 2) Examine the need for rural warehouses, before you approve changes.
- 3) Intensive industrial uses like generic warehouses do not fit the Comprehensive Plan vision for rural lands.
- 4) The code change impacts other rural areas.
- 5) The Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan (TCMP) calls for preservation of farmland and environmentally sensitive rural lands.

Thank you.

Time: September 26, 2021 at 11:45 pm

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From: John Gear <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 26, 2021 4:53 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: John Gear

Email: gearjm@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** This proposal is so wrongheaded on so many levels. Rural ag lands are precious and irreplaceable and will only increase in value as land suitable for food and fiber production. Converting such land to industrial for warehouses would be stunningly shortsighted.

Time: September 26, 2021 at 11:52 pm

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From: Colleen Graney <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, September 26, 2021 5:17 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Colleen Graney

Email: colleena@w-link.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I cannot support rezoning land for industrial use when it is good farm land. Cultivating top soil takes time and should be preserved for local farmers.

This proposed amendment would impact a broad area and allow other landowners to change the zoning.

Thurston county does not need extensive warehouses and does not follow the comprehensive plan vision for our rural lands.

Thurston county has a Climate MitigatiOn Plan in place and it calls for farmland preservation. Lets follow that lead before moving forward with an amendment that would really altar our current zoning practice.

Time: September 27, 2021 at 12:17 am

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From: Pamela Pride <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Sunday, September 26, 2021 8:19 PM

To: Sunday, September 26, 2021
Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Pamela Pride

Email: pam@pampride.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Intensive industrial uses like generic warehouses do not fit the Comprehensive Plan vision for rural lands.

Time: September 27, 2021 at 3:19 am

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From: Robert Clark <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 5:39 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Robert Clark

Email: rdclark147@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I believe the BoCC should include a Community-Driven Review of Rural Warehousing Needs, Policy, and Code Language in the 2022-23 Docket. And We need a Rural Warehouse Study.

Thank you

Time: September 27, 2021 at 12:39 pm

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From: Michele Schlegel <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 7:51 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Michele Schlegel

**Email:** micheleandroy@comcast.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** 

Time: September 27, 2021 at 2:50 pm

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From: Robyn Chance <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 8:01 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Robyn Chance

Email: robynchance@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** The Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan (TCMP) calls for preservation of farmland and environmentally sensitive rural lands. This code change will impact other rural areas, and as such, should not be hastily adopted. Our communities need good farmlands. Ask the BoCC to include a Community-Driven Review of Rural Warehousing Needs, Policy, and Code Language in the 2022-23 Docket. We need a Rural Warehouse Study before quality farmlands are developed for other purposes.

Time: September 27, 2021 at 3:00 pm

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From: Joni Brill <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 12:16 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Joni Brill

Email: jecho87@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I oppose the rezone of farmland. One of the greatest attributes of Thurston County is our rural areas and we don't want to lose them. We don't need more land looking like Hawks Prairie, a place many people now avoid because of all the warehouses going up.

Instead, please complete the Community- Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs, CP - 16 project, before rezoning any farmed land. Rather than being pressured by developers, examine the need for rural warehouses, before you approve CP-19. We don't want to look like Kent, here generic warehouses do not fit the Comprehensive Plan vision for rural lands.

The Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan (TCMP) calls for preservation of farmland and environmentally sensitive rural lands. We are not Lewis County, our space is more limited and our values are different.

Time: September 27, 2021 at 7:15 pm

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From: Shelley Kneip <shelleykneip@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 2:11 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** Comments for the Planning Commission Re CAP 19 - Up Castle

**Attachments:** Up Castle comments.docx

Comments for the Planning Commission Re CAP 19 - Up Castle

#### 1. Changing Maps and Codes to Accommodate an Individual Property Owner is Not Good Planning.

The state Growth Management Act, Ch. 36.70A RCW mandates <u>comprehensive</u> planning for local governments. The GMA was enacted to remedy uncoordinated and unplanned growth. The Legislature made specific findings regarding this problem:

The legislature finds that uncoordinated and unplanned growth, together with a lack of common goals expressing the public's interest in the conservation and the wise use of our lands, pose a threat to the environment, sustainable economic development, and the health, safety, and high quality of life enjoyed by residents of this state. It is in the public interest that citizens, communities, local governments, and the private sector cooperate and coordinate with one another in comprehensive land use planning.

There is a reason that this is called *comprehensive* planning, i.e., it is to look at the county as a whole and plan according to the *public* interest and community goals. In contrast, site specific comprehensive plan changes and rezones are not good planning.

Here, the applicant is proposing to carve out two specific lots for treatment outside the comprehensive planning process, and to change its development regulations to accommodate the applicant's desires. This is NOT PLANNING. Changing code and maps as an indulgence to the property owner is the very antithesis of planning. This type of approach to site specific applications opens the door to the very thing that the GMA was meant to correct and reflects very badly on the County's planning process. If the County accepted every landowner's request for a change, then what is the point of planning.

#### 2. Changing Use from Agricultural to Industrial Undermines the Goal to preserve agriculture and rural

**areas.** Thurston County has set an admirable goal to preserve farmland. It is currently in the process of conducting a community-driven review of Thurston County government's policies and programs related to agriculture. Again, it is bad planning to carve out two agricultural parcels while that review is pending and undermines the process. The supplemental staff report glosses over the no net loss policy saying that since they have no metrics it is basically unenforceable.

This property is currently zoned Rural Residential/Resource. The County's stated purpose for this zone is:

The purpose of this chapter is to encourage residential development that maintains the county's rural character; provides opportunities for compatible agricultural, forestry and other rural land uses; is sensitive to the site's physical characteristics; provides greater opportunities for protecting sensitive environmental areas and creating open space corridors; enables efficient road and utility systems; and does not create demands for urban level services.

TCC 20.09A.010. The permitted uses in this zone are limited to agricultural uses, residential, home business and accessory agricultural farmworker housing. Ostensibly, the Rural Resource Industrial zone should also give preference to agricultural uses, as it's purpose states:

The purpose and intent of the rural resource industrial district is to provide areas where industrial activities and uses that are dependent upon agriculture, forest practices and minerals may be located. The district also allows such uses that involve the processing, fabrication, wholesaling and storage of products associated with natural resource uses. The standards in this chapter are intended to protect the rural area from adverse industrial impacts. All industrial uses must be functionally and visually compatible with the character of the rural area.

TCC 20.29.010. Unfortunately, Thurston County's own code is not consistent with this purpose or with the Comprehensive Plan policy in that it does allow uses that are <u>not</u> dependent on agriculture, forest practices and minerals. That is a problem in itself, but here the applicant is proposing even more inconsistencies in the code to meet their individual preferences. Again, this approach is not good planning.

- **3.** There Are No Changed Circumstances or Need for this Change. Washington courts have long set a standard that there must be a substantial change in circumstances for site specific rezones. The argument that since there was development in an adjacent county does not constitute such a change. Furthermore, Thurston County is subject to the GMA requirements for buildable lands reporting, which assesses the need for changes in comprehensive plan designations. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report found sufficient land in the urban areas to meet warehouse and industrial needs for the county. Changing a designation in <u>rural</u> lands to allow an intensification of use that can easily be accommodated in urban areas flies in the face of the GMA.
- **4.** Changing the Code to accommodate a single applicant opens up even more changes to other properties without considered analysis. Changing the code to meet the applicant's needs is turning good planning on its head. Moreover, such a code change opens the door to other rural areas being submitted for a rezone to RRI, and may allow changes outright. The county should not accommodate such a request in isolation, but again, do so in the context of full planning and after studies.

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Shelley Kneip shelleykneip@gmail.com

From: Nancy Stevenson <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, September 27, 2021 7:28 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Nancy Stevenson

Email: nancycstevenson@comcast.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I appreciate the opportunity to comment. I think it is important to preserve our local farmlands. I support completing the Community- Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs, CP - 16 project, before rezoning any farmed land. Perhaps a study of rural warehouses is appropriate.

The code change impacts other rural areas. The Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan (TCMP) calls for preservation of farmland and environmentally sensitive rural lands. Thank you.

Time: September 28, 2021 at 2:27 am

IP Address: 24.18.98.221

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Roy Treadway <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Tuesday, September 28, 2021 8:51 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Roy Treadway

Email: treadway@ilstu.edu

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We oppose the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal because it would allow good farm land to be used for undesirable industrial purposes. A thorough review of converting good agricultural to other purposes needs to be made before any changes in the comprehensive plan is made. Such a change in land use is in direct opposition to the Thurston County Mitigation Plan which calls for intensifying agricultural land use in Thurston County to help reduce carbon emissions in Thurston County.

Roy Treadway Carolyn Treadway

Time: September 29, 2021 at 3:51 am

IP Address: 71.231.208.73

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Rachel Friedman <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 8:32 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Rachel Friedman

Email: hispeedrachel@comcast.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Comment: We must not lose any more Agricultural land in Thurston and Lewis counties. In a 2016 U.S. Forest Service document, the following was stated: "Agricultural lands in western Washington declined at a rate of 0.7 percent per year, for a net loss of 22 percent over 30 years." According to the WSU Extension Service "Thurston County's farmland is rapidly disappearing. Between 1950 and 2017, the acreage of farmland as reported in the USDA Census of Agriculture declined from 170,640 acres to 62,250 acres. Between 2012 and 2017 the County experienced the 4th largest 4-yr decline since 1950 and the largest decline since 1974. Though the land area dedicated to agricultural activities has been steadily eroding, agricultural production it is still of significant importance to the County's economy." According to the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture: "Family and small farms are vital to our economy and well-being as a nation. Not only do they support the competitiveness and sustainability of rural and farm economies, they serve to:

- Protect and enhance natural resources and the environment
- Provide a nursery for the development of new enterprises and marketing systems
- Maintain rural populations"

In addition, family and small farms provide for food resilience in an environment that is rapidly changing due to climate change and population increase. We need to maintain our dwindling farmland, not create more impermeable warehouse and manufacturing sites. Thank you

Time: September 29, 2021 at 3:32 pm

IP Address: 76.121.180.139

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

**From:** Jennifer Davis

Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 9:20 AM

**To:** Maya Teeple; Andrew Boughan

Subject: FW: Up Castle ..... Thurston rezone amendment could allow more warehouses along I-5, loss of

farmland

From: northbeachcomm@cs.com <northbeachcomm@cs.com>

Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 9:19 AM

**To:** Christina Chaput <christina.chaput@co.thurston.wa.us> **Cc:** Jennifer Davis <jennifer.davis@co.thurston.wa.us>

Subject: Up Castle ..... Thurston rezone amendment could allow more warehouses along I-5, loss of farmland

# Sept 26, 2021

# Hello;

Several of us have been attending the Thurston County Planning, "zoom" meetings.

A few of us have already spoken out about this Up Castle Rezone Amendment proposal.

It is very alarming.

One of the issues in this is that this Up Castle rezone is 3 miles from the I-5 freeway.

So it is located out in the farmland area.

The big heavy warehouse trucks will have problems with the tiny farming roads.

The farmers will have problems dealing with the intense traffic on these farming roads.

The proposed development at Up Castle is a very large warehouse (for Amazon??).

It will fill the 200 acre field with asphalt, then a huge warehouse building.

There is not enough room on this parcel for the stormwater to go, from this development.

So the proposal says that the "stormwater" will be injected into the groundwater, at the site.

This injection of stormwater into ground water has been used before.

From the stormwater drains, it all goes into a tank.

Then the tank of stormwater is pumped underground, into the subsurface of the land

where our aquifers, and drinking water lies.

The City of Vancouver, WA used this method of getting rid of stormwater. Unfortunately, a huge truck over turned near the stormwater drain.

The diesel fuel went into the stormwater drain. The diesel was pumped into the aquifer.

Check it out.

In this farming area, every building has its own well. This is a problem for clean drinking water.

I do not support this Up Castle rezone amendment.

We need letters to the Thurston Planning Commissioners, and to the Thurston County

Commissions, telling them of our thoughts.

Thank you, Lisa R. 2103 Harrison Oly., WA 98502 360-338-5237

Sent: Wed, Sep 29, 2021 11:45 am

Subject: Olympian LTE - TC rezone amendment could allow more warehouses along I-5, loss of farmland

LTE in the Olympian today:

AMENDMENT COULD ALLOW MORE WAREHOUSES ALONG I-5, LOSS OF FARMLAND

Unique ID: 26

The Up Castle Land Use and Rezone Amendment is a backdoor way to allow warehousing on farmland throughout Thurston County. The company's rezone request would affect only 33 acres now zoned Rural Residential/Resource (RRR) next to Centralia on the Lewis County border. However, the proposed Comprehensive Plan and Zoning code amendment to allow this rezone would affect hundreds, maybe thousands, of acres.

The Up Castle location does not fit within the current RRI (Rural Resource Industrial) zoning code. The proposed changes to the code would allow any land that meets the criteria on the date the code is adopted to become "intensive industrial" (warehousing and manufacturing). The proposed criteria will include any farmland adjacent to industrial development and near an arterial road and railroad. One example is 300 acres of farmland near the Maytown I-5 exit, but many more parcels would fit these criteria.

Up Castle's former farm has highly rated soils. Thurston County doesn't need warehouses on good rural farmland. Let the current Community-Driven Review of Agricultural Policies and Programs help inform this issue. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows we have twice as many acres of industrial zoned land for warehousing as needed for the next 20 years —within our cities' Urban Growth Boundaries.

At the Oct. 6 public hearing, urge the Thurston County Planning Commission NOT to recommend to the Board of County Commissioners approval of the Up Castle amendment. Provide pro or con comments on the county's webpage.

Elizabeth Rodrick, Olympia

From: Maya Teeple

Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 10:33 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** FW: CPA 19, Up Castle Rezone and Code Change

From: Thomasina Cooper <thomasina.cooper@co.thurston.wa.us>

Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 10:32 AM
To: Maya Teeple <maya.teeple@co.thurston.wa.us>
Subject: FW: CPA 19, Up Castle Rezone and Code Change

Hi Maya,

Tye received the comment below about the Up Castle rezone. Are you the right person to send these to for public

record?

Thanks bunches! Thomasina

From: Thurston County | Send Email <<u>spout@co.thurston.wa.us</u>>

Sent: Friday, September 24, 2021 10:29 AM

To: Tye Menser < tye.menser@co.thurston.wa.us >

Subject: CPA 19, Up Castle Rezone and Code Change

This email was created by the County Internet web server from the email masking system. Someone from the Public has requested to contact you with the following information:

To: Tye Menser - District 3 Commissioner

Subject:

From: Diana Moore

Email (if provided): dianamoore1814@gmail.com

Phone: (if provided): 3602509739

Message:

Building a warehouse on the Up Castle property is not compatible with Thurston County's vision for our rural lands, and is counter to the Comprehensive Plan. This change would substantially alter the vision of what helps preserve the rural parts of our county.

My request to the Commissioners is to keep rural lands rural, and restrict warehouses to locations on I-5 when they meet the needs of local industries – timber, farming, and sand and gravel mining.

Thank you.

From: Polly Stoker

Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 11:35 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** FW: CP-019, UP Castle Application for Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezone

Hi Andrew,

Here is the written comment received. It sounds like it goes with another one you may have?

Thanks Polly

From: Thurston County | Send Email <spout@co.thurston.wa.us>

Sent: Tuesday, September 14, 2021 5:24 PM

To: PlanningCommission <PlanningCommission@co.thurston.wa.us>

Subject: CP-019, UP Castle Application for Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezone

This email was created by the County Internet web server from the email masking system. Someone from the Public has requested to contact you with the following information:

To: Planning Commission

Subject:

From: Sam Merrill

Email (if provided): SamMerrill3@comcast.net

Phone: (if provided): 3608668839

Message:

I concur with the Comments Re: CP-019, UP Castle Application for Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Rezone, submitted by Charlotte Persons on behalf of Black Hills Audubon. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sam Merrill, Chair Conservation Committee

**Black Hills Audubon Society** 

From: Elizabeth DeWreede <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 12:05 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Elizabeth DeWreede

Email: betsie54@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I am a retired Organic Produce Farm in South Thurston County.

- 1) I urge you to wait to change the Comprehensive Plan until after the completion of CP 16, the county's community review of agricultural policies and programs. This group is researching soils maps and other sources to identify additional ways to protect agricultural lands prioritized for conservation.
- 2) The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows that we have more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years without converting farmland.
- 3)Thurston County should not bow to the request of a single development company to make such far-reaching rezoning amendments. To make well-considered changes to the Comprehensive Plan, County Commissioners should ask for a study to discover the need (if any) to locate more warehousing in rural areas.

Time: September 29, 2021 at 7:05 pm

IP Address: 97.126.119.66

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Melissa Southwick <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 12:56 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Melissa Southwick

Email: bussysouthwick@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I am a farmer in Thurston county and am strongly opposed to this proposal. Thurston County should preserve the values and vision of the current Comprehensive Plan. That plan follows the Growth Management Act in prioritizing preservation of agricultural land and of the rural character of land outside the Urban Growth Boundary. Farmland is becoming more and more scarce, and we need to preserve it for a healthy future for everyone. Thanks for your consideration.

Time: September 29, 2021 at 7:56 pm

IP Address: 174.204.66.120

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Sharalyn Peterson <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 3:17 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Sharalyn Peterson

Email: SKPETER26@GMAIL.COM

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I am a small farmer located in Thurston County. I do not support the UP Castle amendment. Thurston County should wait to change the Comprehensive Plan until after the completion of CP - 16, the county's community review of agricultural policies and programs. This group is researching soils maps and other sources to identify additional ways to protect agricultural lands prioritized for conservation. Their recommendations will be published later this year and in 2022.

Time: September 29, 2021 at 10:17 pm

IP Address: 174.21.32.7

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: andrea Barranger <donotreply@wordpress.com>

**Sent:** Wednesday, September 29, 2021 3:35 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: andrea Barranger

Email: andreaisys@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We live on a farm and farm organize vegetables.

Time: September 29, 2021 at 10:34 pm

IP Address: 174.246.85.127

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: William Dean <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 4:31 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: William Dean

Email: wdean@reachone.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County should not enact such far-reaching re-zoning as the result of the request of a single development company. To make well-considered changes to the Comprehensive Plan, County Commissioners should ask for a study to discover the need (if any) to locate more warehousing in rural areas.

Replacing farming land with large impervious surfaces has negative impacts to ground and surface water.

The increased truck traffic in this rural area will also negatively impact the current nature of the area for both humans and wildlife.

Thurston County does not need to convert farmland to warehouses and manufacturing. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows that we have more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years – within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities.

Time: September 29, 2021 at 11:30 pm

IP Address: 63.228.98.181

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Lauren Schreiber <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 9:13 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Lauren Schreiber

Email: laurenaschreiber@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Comment: I am a Thurston County farmer. It is obvious to me that more thought needs to go into a decision that would have major repercussions for the future of rural land/ farmland in Thurston County. To make well-considered changes to the Comprehensive Plan, County Commissioners should ask for a study to discover the need (if any) to locate more warehousing in rural areas. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows that we have more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years – within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities. Thurston County should wait to change the Comprehensive Plan until after the completion of CP - 16, the county's community review of agricultural policies and programs. This group is researching soil maps and other sources to identify additional ways to protect agricultural lands prioritized for conservation. Their recommendations will be published later this year and in 2022. Zoning amendments should be well considered and not changed quickly at the request on only one development company. It's a decision that can't be undone. Thanks for your time and consideration.

Time: September 30, 2021 at 4:12 am

IP Address: 174.21.51.87

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: James J Stewart <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 7:21 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: James J Stewart

Email: JJSTEWARTDESIGN@GMAIL.COM

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I stand with Black Hills Audubon in not supporting this amendment.

Time: September 30, 2021 at 2:21 pm

IP Address: 67.183.203.126

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: ami greenberg <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 8:54 AM

To: Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: ami greenberg

Email: greenbirder1@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** 

Time: September 30, 2021 at 3:53 pm

IP Address: 73.254.139.127

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Thad Curtz <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 9:52 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Thad Curtz

Email: curtzt@nuprometheus.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Using a piece of good farmland for a warehouse doesn't seem like a good idea, but changing the status of any farmland in the county adjacent to industrial development and near an arterial road and railroad as of the date of an adoption of the proposal for this particular piece seems like a terrible way to do land use planning.

Time: September 30, 2021 at 4:52 pm

IP Address: 97.113.58.243

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From: Kathleen Snyder <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 11:15 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Kathleen Snyder

Email: ksnyder75@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County does not need to convert farmland to warehouses and manufacturing. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows that we have more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years — within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities. Losing agricultural land to more warehousing without waiting for the completion of CP-16 makes no sense for the long term health of our county - both economically and environmentally.

Time: September 30, 2021 at 6:15 pm

IP Address: 67.168.188.46

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Nora White <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 12:55 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Nora White

Email: nora.e.white@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** As a Thurston County farmer, I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal. Thurston County should not be converting farmland to warehouses and the precedent of these proposed re-zones has far reaching and dangerous implications. Further, this is a hasty and ill-informed decision - Thurston County should wait to change the Comprehensive Plan until after the completion of CP - 16.

Time: September 30, 2021 at 7:55 pm

IP Address: 174.21.106.145

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Faith Hagenhofer <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 2:36 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Faith Hagenhofer

Email: faithatcatspaw@yahoo.com

Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?: I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan

Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I am farmer in Thurston County.

Time: September 30, 2021 at 9:35 pm

IP Address: 216.128.106.232

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Laurence Reeves <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 5:42 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Laurence Reeves

Email: LHReeves@juno.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We need to protect what little farmland remains in Thurston County. We have plenty of warehouses.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 12:42 am

IP Address: 73.140.4.120

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Maxine Dunkelman <donotreply@wordpress.com>

**Sent:** Thursday, September 30, 2021 5:47 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Maxine Dunkelman

Email: maxdunk@comcast.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** • Thurston County should not enact such far-reaching re-zoning as the result of the request of a single development company. To make well-considered changes to the Comprehensive Plan, County Commissioners should ask for a study to discover the need (if any) to locate more warehousing in rural areas.

- Thurston County does not need to convert farmland to warehouses and manufacturing. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows that we have more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities.
- Thurston County should preserve the values and vision of the current Comprehensive Plan. That plan follows the Growth Management Act in prioritizing preservation of agricultural land and of the rural character of land outside the Urban Growth Boundary.
- Thurston County should wait to change the Comprehensive Plan until after the completion of CP 16, the county's community review of agricultural policies and programs. This group is researching soils maps and other sources to identify additional ways to protect agricultural lands prioritized for conservation. Their recommendations will be published later this year and in 2022.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 12:47 am

IP Address: 73.109.19.102

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Donna Snow <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 6:02 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Donna Snow

Email: dsnow3@comcast.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We must save our remaining farmlands

Time: October 1, 2021 at 1:01 am

IP Address: 73.19.34.35

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Margery D Beeler <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 6:10 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Margery D Beeler

Email: mswampcat@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** 

Time: October 1, 2021 at 1:10 am

IP Address: 67.168.82.19

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Ursula Euler <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 6:36 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Ursula Euler

Email: ueuler@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** This opens the door for more patch work changes to zoning, that is not comprehensive and ill-planned. The zoning change does not fit into a rural area. It is important to maintain the rural nature.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 1:36 am

IP Address: 63.229.4.213

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Janet Strong <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 6:39 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Janet Strong

Email: janet.strong4@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** This opens the door to extensive conversion of Thurston County' rural lands to industrial lands. There are thousands of acres already in the Urban Growth Boundary which could be used for industrial development, esp. warehouses. Do not allow this exception or rezoning. Thurston Co. has had the foresight to designate rural lands for rural purposes vs. unrelated industrial purposes, a wise decision. Please do not allow this strong zone designation to be unraveled piece by piece. Rural lands are too important for the population of the county.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 1:39 am

IP Address: 67.42.98.17

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Monica Hoover <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 7:22 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Monica Hoover

Email: mmhoove@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County does not need to convert farmland to warehouses and industrial uses. The buildable lands inventory shows Thurston County already has double the amount of industrial lands needed for the next 20 years. Instead, Thurston County should consider reducing the amount of land zoned industrial to focus these land uses in the areas already most disturbed.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 2:21 am

IP Address: 73.225.49.138

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Eugene (Gene) Hoover <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 7:26 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Eugene (Gene) Hoover

Email: mmhoove@aol.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County should not make this far-reaching zoning change. We have more than enough land zoned industrial already inside the urban growth areas. Thurston County should assess whether more land for warehouses is needed first, before considering any zoning change like this.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 2:25 am

IP Address: 73.225.49.138

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Samuel Merrill <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 7:55 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Samuel Merrill

Email: SamMerrill3@comcast.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I oppose the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal because one company's request should not be used to amend the whole Comprehensive Plan. The County should carefully evaluate the possible need or lack of need of opening many plots of agricultural land throughout the County to intensive industrial use. In particular, the proposed change would apply to any agricultural land adjacent to industrial development and near an arterial road and a railroad.

According to the 2021 Buildable Lands Report, the County has more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years – within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities.

Values of the Comprehensive Plan should be preserved.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 2:55 am

IP Address: 71.231.47.62

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Susan Alcorn <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 7:56 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Susan Alcorn

Email: sualcorn@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We need farm land not more warehouses! Have you been to Lacey? There are so many new MASSIVE warehouses! Our farm lands are much more important.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 2:56 am

IP Address: 73.254.45.42

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

**From:** Esther Kronenberg <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 8:11 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Esther Kronenberg

Email: wekrone@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We don't need more warehouses. There's plenty of other parcels in the UGA to site them.

Exceptions to the Comprehensive plan should not be made without some study if it's advisable.

Our farmland is one of our most precious resources and should have full protection. Siting warehouses on farmland will destroy our rural areas so we'll end up looking like I5 from Tacoma to Everett. Ugly, unplanned and ignorant of what we'll need for the future.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 3:10 am

IP Address: 75.172.17.227

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Warren Kronenberg <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 8:12 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Warren Kronenberg

Email: wekrone@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I don't think it's smart to destroy good farmland that can sustain us to build a warehouse that should go in the UGA where there already is infrastructure to support it.

A very bad idea

Time: October 1, 2021 at 3:12 am

IP Address: 75.172.17.227

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Jessica Rose <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 9:08 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Jessica Rose

Email: drjessicarose@yahoo.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County does not need to convert farmland to warehouses and manufacturing. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows that we have more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years – within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 4:07 am

IP Address: 174.246.64.52

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Anne Van Sweringen <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Thursday, September 30, 2021 10:58 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Anne Van Sweringen

Email: avansw2@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** 

Time: October 1, 2021 at 5:58 am

IP Address: 67.168.186.44

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Lance Levine <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 6:55 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Lance Levine

Email: lglgeological@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** 

Time: October 1, 2021 at 1:55 pm IP Address: 73.239.166.206

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Dennis Plank <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 8:03 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Dennis Plank

Email: dennis.r.plank@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We don't need more warehouses to feed junk to Seattle. Thurston County should be discouraging all development or we will quickly become as unlivable as King County has become.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 3:02 pm

IP Address: 73.11.221.46

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Sharon E Herting <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 8:56 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Sharon E Herting

Email: seherting@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Comment: I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan amendment proposal.

Do not rezone based on just one landowner application. Don't rezone good farmland. Thurston County should only make code changes after studying county-wide impact. After the study, then create a plan that fits with the Comprehensive Plan vision for rural lands.

Sincerely,

Sharon Herting from Olympia,98502-2500

Time: October 1, 2021 at 3:55 pm

IP Address: 73.35.239.157

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Teva Grudin <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 9:32 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Teva Grudin

Email: tevamouse@gamil.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I am a local farmer, farming in Thurston county for the past 15 years and I know first hand that we have a great need of farmland in this county. As we face a serious climate crises, we need more than ever to rely on locally produced food to support our local community. There is plenty of industrial land in Thurston county, but once farmland is developed for industrial use, it can no longer be used for agriculture.

Thurston County should not enact such far-reaching re-zoning as the result of the request of a single development company. To make well-considered changes to the Comprehensive Plan, County Commissioners should ask for a study to discover the need (if any) to locate more warehousing in rural areas.

Thurston County does not need to convert farmland to warehouses and manufacturing. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows that we have more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years – within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities.

Thurston County should preserve the values and vision of the current Comprehensive Plan. That plan follows the Growth Management Act in prioritizing preservation of agricultural land and of the rural character of land outside the Urban Growth Boundary.

Thurston County should wait to change the Comprehensive Plan until after the completion of CP - 16, the county's community review of agricultural policies and programs. This group is researching soils maps and other sources to identify additional ways to protect agricultural lands prioritized for conservation. Their recommendations will be published later this year and in 2022.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 4:32 pm

IP Address: 199.250.32.47

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Julia Brayshaw <donotreply@wordpress.com>

**Sent:** Friday, October 1, 2021 12:25 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Julia Brayshaw

Email: alchemia33@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** This rezone will destroy our precious South County rural lands including fertile farm land!!

Time: October 1, 2021 at 7:24 pm

IP Address: 86.184.91.147

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Paul Bakke <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 2:09 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Paul Bakke

Email: bakke456@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** This proposed action negates the values and vision of the current Comprehensive Plan. That plan follows the Growth Management Act in prioritizing preservation of agricultural land and of the rural character of land outside the Urban Growth Boundary. The action would set a bad precedent, having far reaching implications that have no place being allowed at the request of one land owner. Zoning exists for good reason - to protect the people of this country from exactly this sort of inappropriate industrial encroachment on rural character, water resources and wildlife.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 9:09 pm

IP Address: 73.109.100.53

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Sally Nole <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 3:17 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Sally Nole

Email: sallykay757@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County should preserve the the values and vision of the current Comprehensive Plan. Thurston County residents just finished fighting a rezoning plan for what's known as Rocky Prairie. The massive citizen action around that attempted rezoning should be remembered. !

Time: October 1, 2021 at 10:16 pm

IP Address: 73.97.106.78

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: L John Kleinpell <donotreply@wordpress.com>

**Sent:** Friday, October 1, 2021 4:52 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: L John Kleinpell

Email: t90man@scattercreek.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I do not support any more industrial or commercial development. These plans would affect our dwindling farm land & disturb the rural quality of our peaceful neighborhoods as well as cause more impact on wildlife.

Time: October 1, 2021 at 11:51 pm IP Address: 216.128.109.246

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Jean Maust <demico@scattercreek.com>

Sent: Friday, October 1, 2021 5:21 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** My comments on Up Castle Rezone and Code Changes

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

I believe that this proposed change is not in the best interest of long-term health of people, animals and land of our county. Farmland is valuable and I believe that its value will increase with climate changes and fractured supply chains. Many parts of the country are struggling with droughts, wildfires, and other climatic changes that jeopardize food growing businesses.

To be resilient, our county should ensure that we can meet the needs of those who live here and will live here in future decades.

Rural land is valuable for food crops. Generic warehouses are not part of the community's vision for rural lands. Our county can not afford to lose farmland – or the habitat that is necessary for plant and animal species.

The Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan (TCMP) calls for preservation of farmland and environmentally sensitive rural lands. I support this plan and urge the Commission to refrain from changing zones and uses which reduce farmland. Thank you.

Jean Maust

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From: Brent Swift <donotreply@wordpress.com>

**Sent:** Friday, October 1, 2021 10:22 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Brent Swift

Email: allenbswift@yahoo.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** 

Time: October 2, 2021 at 5:21 am

IP Address: 73.83.176.108

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Alice Flegel <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 5:34 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Alice Flegel

Email: nostampz@outlook.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I live in Rochester. Thurston county has precious rural farmland that must be protected. Our soils here are incredibly rich and must not be sacrificed for industrial use.

Time: October 2, 2021 at 12:34 pm

IP Address: 97.126.123.179

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Chad <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 9:24 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Chad

Email: chadmaurer23@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We have plenty of land zoned for this already without disturbing more of the rural character of our county farmlands with additional light and noise and traffic where it isn't desired. This completely flies in the face of the reasons we have zoning in the first place. This is a bill for land speculators, not land owners and entrepreneurs.

Time: October 2, 2021 at 4:23 pm IP Address: 73.169.190.167

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

**From:** Patricia Rutherford <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 9:30 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Patricia Rutherford

Email: treeheart6@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Farm land us precious and once we lose it we cannot get it back. Let the cities have the warehouses and leave the farmland to the farmers

Time: October 2, 2021 at 4:29 pm

IP Address: 76.121.125.54

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Lorraine F James <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 11:08 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Lorraine F James

Email: Ifjaws@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** The Up Castle location does not fit within the current RRI zoning code. Thurston county does not need warehouses on good rural farmland. Use the current community driven review of agricultural policies and programs for information on this issue. We have twice as many acres of industrial zoned land for warehousing as needed for the next 20 years within our cities urban growth boundaries.

I am urging the Thurston County planning commission NOT to recommend the board of County commissioners approval of the Up Castle amendment. We do not need to follow Lewis County in paving over farmland and becoming another Renton or Rainier Valley. When it's gone, it's GONE. Thank you

Time: October 2, 2021 at 6:07 pm

IP Address: 73.109.38.66

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Elizabeth Rodrick <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 3:16 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Elizabeth Rodrick

Email: elizrodrick@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Comment:

Time: October 2, 2021 at 10:15 pm

IP Address: 67.183.204.123

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Muriel Davis <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 5:52 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Muriel Davis

Email: muriel.adele@gmail.com

Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?: I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan

Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Study rural warehouse needs Before Any code change.

Thank you

Time: October 3, 2021 at 12:51 am

IP Address: 73.221.83.29

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Rick Flegel <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 7:37 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Rick Flegel

Email: nostampneeded@live.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Please do not allow good farmlands to be rezoned, covered over and lost forever! Building warehouses or commercial buildings on this piece of farmland is not what our community is all about and is just fundamentally a terrible idea. In my life I have watched as too many great farms have been paved over in various counties in our state with large parking lots and commercial warehouses and factories. We need to protect our farmlands!

Please do NOT consider any type of a rezone for this property!

Time: October 3, 2021 at 2:37 am IP Address: 97.126.123.179

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Wendy Walker <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Saturday, October 2, 2021 9:26 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Wendy Walker

Email: wendymhwalker@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County should preserve the values and vision of the current Comprehensive Plan. That plan follows the Growth Management Act in prioritizing preservation of agricultural land and of the rural character of land outside the Urban Growth Boundary.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 4:25 am

IP Address: 73.83.197.38

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Kenneth Koernke <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 5:01 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Kenneth Koernke

Email: kendonna@thurston.com

Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?: I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan

Amendment proposal.

Comment: Leave zoning as is.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 12:01 pm IP Address: 216.128.108.145

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Hisami Yoshida <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 5:43 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Hisami Yoshida

Email: hisami66@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** 

Time: October 3, 2021 at 12:43 pm

IP Address: 72.168.144.217

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

**From:** subodai213 <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 9:08 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: subodai213

Email: warmblood213@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** NO No No No No No No to more warehouses, no to rezoning, NO. This is just an underhanded way of getting around a restriction. No jobs will make it worthwhile, only the rich man will get richer. No No No

Time: October 3, 2021 at 4:07 pm

IP Address: 212.102.46.44

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

Sent by a verified WordPress.com user.

From: Daniel Einstein <donotreply@wordpress.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, October 3, 2021 10:46 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Daniel Einstein

Email: daniel@olyecosystems.org

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** This proposed rezone represents a backdoor threat to the Counties rural lands. The proposed Comprehensive Plan code changes would open the door to re-zoning to intensive industrial use (warehousing and manufacturing) of land that meets three requirements on the date that the new code is accepted—any agricultural land adjacent to industrial development and near an arterial road and a railroad. The code changes would apply to hundreds, perhaps thousands, of acres of farmland, scattered around the county. One example is about 300 acres by the I-5/Maytown intersection.

Once the land is rezoned to Rural Resource Industrial it is no longer possible to sell it to a farmer or housing developer should environmental concerns preclude gaining a permit for the intended warehouse. Farming or housing is not permitted on RRI parcels until the land is rezoned back to RRR 1/5. For significant rezone requests and to avoid a Catch-22 situation, the county staff should follow the standard process of submitting the DNS or draft EIS before the Planning Commission make a recommendation on the proposal. Lacking that information the Planning Commission is setting up the Catch-22 situation.

Moreover, rural warehouses are not needed to meet Thurston County current and future needs. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report examined the need for warehouse space to keep up with Thurston County population growth through 2040. The study found sufficient land in the urban areas to meet warehouse and industrial needs for the county. The report assumes the county will need to accommodate 30,000 new commercial and industrial jobs. Doing so will require an estimated 15 million square feet of building area on 1,415 acres of land. The city of Olympia has limited vacant industrial land, but the three major cities together have the needed 1,415 acres and they also have an "excess supply" of 2,392 acres available for commercial and industrial use.

Rural lands are a resource that cannot be replenished once destroyed. The County should not allow its Comprehensive Plan to be rewritten to accommodate a single entity. Comprehensive plans are comprehensive because they set out our collective vision for the future, not the vision of a single LLC that finds rural lands attractive simply because they are inexpensive.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 5:45 pm

IP Address: 67.168.80.151

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Alyssa Lyon <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 10:48 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Alyssa Lyon

Email: alyssagibsonlyon@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** This change to the code could open up hundreds of acres of agricultural land to being rezoned for industrial use.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 5:47 pm

IP Address: 73.254.128.31

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Matthew Lyon <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 10:49 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Matthew Lyon

Email: matthew@lyonheart.us

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** 

Time: October 3, 2021 at 5:49 pm

IP Address: 73.254.128.31

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Maurice Major <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 11:47 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Maurice Major

Email: mojourner@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I do not support this proposal because it seeks to change land use laws/rules that were based on careful consideration and broad input. The desire of a company to change land use so that they can profit is inadequate reason to degrade the growth management act and lose agricultural land.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 6:47 pm

IP Address: 73.97.40.142

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

**From:** Tom Crawford <donotreply@wordpress.com>

**Sent:** Sunday, October 3, 2021 11:55 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Tom Crawford

Email: tcpraxis@q.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I understand this would open this and other parcels throughout the county to industrial uses such as warehouses. This does not seem consistent with the GHG reduction goals of the Thurston Climate Mitigation Plan which the county recently helped develop and is starting to implement. In particular, it seems inconsistent with the goals within that plan to reduce VMTs and to promote density within the county Achieving these goals is critical to the future health and survival of our local economy and residents, along with that of the rest of the world. Those are some reasons I oppose this rezoning. At the same time, I encourage the county to begin immediately to include climate impact as an essential criterion for all future zoning and development decisions.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 6:54 pm

IP Address: 97.113.57.185

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From: Susan McRae <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 2:33 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Susan McRae

Email: smcrae@earthlink.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Rich, agricultural land is precious, and disappearing too rapidly. Thurston County does not need to convert farmland to warehouses and manufacturing. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows that we have more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years – within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities. Think of the future when we may well need to provide more foods from local sources.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 9:32 pm

IP Address: 73.221.81.149

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From: Quentin Phillips <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 3:04 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Quentin Phillips

Email: qmp932@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan

Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** This needs to be disapproved.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 10:04 pm

IP Address: 67.168.186.146

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: LARRY REMMERS < donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 3:12 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: LARRY REMMERS

Email: Iremmers@wildblue.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** We are already drowning in the pollution of warehouses/industrial space and the large transportation vehicles necessary to support them. Enough is enough! Thurston County supposedly supports small farms and rural areas for conservation. Will your actions live up to your words? We will soon see.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 10:11 pm

IP Address: 172.242.242.68

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Gail Pethe <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 3:13 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Gail Pethe

Email: gjpethe@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** The risks of this amendment proposal are too great. As a Thurston County resident already bearing witness to negative impacts of this type of development on the local environment (loss of habitat, poorer air quality, increased noise pollution, etc.), I do not support this proposal. Please protect our natural and farm lands by telling Up Castle "NO."

Time: October 3, 2021 at 10:12 pm

IP Address: 73.169.190.167

Contact Form URL: https://thurstoncomments.org/comment-on-the-up-castle-land-use-rezone-amendment/

From: Glen Anderson <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 3:27 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Glen Anderson

Email: glenanderson@integra.net

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Elected officials keep SAYING they want to protect farm lands and rural areas, but they keep HURTING them by promoting housing sprawl, warehouses, industrial uses, and pollution!!!

STOP THE HYPOCRISY!!!

REJECT this rezoning proposal!!!

Time: October 3, 2021 at 10:27 pm IP Address: 199.187.211.160

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From: Susan Sandwell <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 4:19 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Susan Sandwell

Email: blinkyr@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** There is sufficient dedicated acreage already available elsewhere in the county for industrial development. There is no need to sacrifice valuable agricultural soil and land for more wharehouses. And no accommodation should be made for one company requesting changes to the comprehensive plan for county management.

Time: October 3, 2021 at 11:19 pm

IP Address: 174.21.97.93

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From: Veronica Howard <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 7:26 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Veronica Howard

Email: pagoatgirl11@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Comment: Enough with the warehouses and commercial buildings creeping into the the county. All while downtown buildings sit empty and in horrible disrepair. Will Thurston County as a whole tear down all the unused buildings, remove the concrete and restore the land back to natural habitat? Of course not. Yet we are worried about "global warming". Let's build more massive warehouses, with MASSIVE asphalt parking le; Target/ Amazon warehouses etc. Thurston County does not mandate businesses to use native plantings, permeable surfaces or reuse former buildings and sites. But yet we are also concerned about lack of water and food supply. Where do people think food comes from? It has to be grown. And not in a warehouse supplying our residents with more garbage to fill landfills. As the state capital we should BE THE CHANGE WE WANT TO SEE IN THE WORLD. Say NO to warehouses, lack of habitat for wildlife and lack of quality of life for residents. Say YES to promoting green spaces, small farmers and restoring our environment. Make Washington GREEN again. Keep Washington GREEN. We are the tree state.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 2:25 am

IP Address: 73.140.218.3

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From: Phyllis A Farrell <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 7:33 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Phyllis A Farrell

Email: phyllisfarrell681@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County is losing designated agriculture land at an alarming and unsustainable rate. Good agricultural land should not be converted to warehouses taking up acreage, providing few (low paying) jobs, associated with increased truck traffic affecting our roads and congestion, and contributing to stormwater issues.

The GMA prioritizes the preservation of agricultural land and of the rural character of land outside the Urban Growth Boundary.

The County should wait and consider any amendments or zoning changes after the completion of the community review of agricultural policies and programs. Planning should not be piecemeal but changes should be considered in Comp Plan Reviews.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 2:32 am

IP Address: 73.19.98.138

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From: Ellen Zito <donotreply@wordpress.com>
Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 8:33 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Ellen Zito

Email: ellen2fannin@gmail.com

Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?: I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan

Amendment proposal.

Comment: Protect prairie and farm land

Time: October 4, 2021 at 3:33 am

IP Address: 67.168.96.247

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From: Sarah Hamman <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Sunday, October 3, 2021 10:20 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Sarah Hamman

Email: sthamman5@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment Proposal. Open grasslands available for agriculture (particularly grazing) and native species habitat are incredibly limited in the south Puget Sound and all of southwest Washington. This proposal would further limit availability of this precious land resource for both ecological and small farm benefits and it would set a dangerous precedent for changing land use regulations to benefit private industrial uses.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 5:20 am

IP Address: 24.18.96.241

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From: Sue Danver <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 9:34 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Sue Danver

Email: sdanver7@aol.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Comment:

Time: October 4, 2021 at 4:33 pm

IP Address: 97.113.9.16

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From: Amy Fisher <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 9:39 AM

To: Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Amy Fisher

Email: amycfisher360@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** There is adequate land zoned for warehouses in Thurston County. We need to preserve small farms and it makes no sense to prematurely sacrifice fertile land to industry.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 4:38 pm

IP Address: 73.19.94.42

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**From:** Doug Buster <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 10:31 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Doug Buster

Email: dougbuster@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County should continue to prioritize preservation of agricultural land outside the Urban Growth Boundary of the Comprehensive Plan.

The proposal does NOT demonstrate a county-wide need for more industrial land. AND... the 2021 Buildable Lands Report clearly demonstrates that we have plenty available in our cities' urban growth boundaries.

This proposal is not consistent with existing plans -- and planning processes -- and would move us in the wrong direction regarding farmland.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 5:30 pm

IP Address: 67.168.2.63

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From: Bob Metzger <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 10:58 AM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Bob Metzger

Email: rmetzger7@aol.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County should preserve the values and vision under the current comprehensive plan. Thurston County should not be converting rural farmland into warehouses and manufacturing.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 5:58 pm

IP Address: 97.113.9.16

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From: Diane Smith <donotreply@wordpress.com>

**Sent:** Monday, October 4, 2021 12:11 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Diane Smith

Email: d35smith53@yahoo.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** 

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From: Aimee C Richardson <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 3:24 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Aimee C Richardson

Email: aimeer999@hotmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County should not enact such far-reaching re-zoning as the result of the request of a single development company. To make well-considered changes to the Comprehensive Plan, County Commissioners should ask for a study to discover the need (if any) to locate more warehousing in rural areas.

Thurston County does not need to convert farmland to warehouses and manufacturing. The 2021 Buildable Lands Report shows that we have more than double the amount of industrial land needed for the next twenty years – within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities.

Thurston County should preserve the values and vision of the current Comprehensive Plan. That plan follows the Growth Management Act in prioritizing preservation of agricultural land and of the rural character of land outside the Urban Growth Boundary.

Thurston County should wait to change the Comprehensive Plan until after the completion of CP – 16, the county's community review of agricultural policies and programs. This group is researching soils maps and other sources to identify additional ways to protect agricultural lands prioritized for conservation. Their recommendations will be published later this year and in 2022.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 10:23 pm

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From: Amy E Stottlemyer <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 3:29 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Amy E Stottlemyer

Email: amystottle@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Thurston County does not need to convert farmland to warehouses and manufacturing. We do not need to become Kent. We have enough industrial land needed for the next 20 years according to the 2021 Buildable Lands Report within the Urban Growth Boundaries of our cities.

Also, I feel that this is crazy that we are even considering a zoning change from one extreme to another. Going from farmland to industrial or light industrial is a huge jump in zoning. If I am living on RRR1/5 or RRR1/10, I do not think that an industrial site is going to go up next to me. Citizens buy housing based on zoning, and citizens should have some security that the zoning is not going to change by 15-16 steps. It would be another thing to change to RRR1/1 or something similar but going industrial is not fair to neighbors.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 10:29 pm

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From: Peggy Butler <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 4:04 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Peggy Butler

Email: butlerpwp@aol.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** It's important to protect our rural land and farmland. Development should remain within the urban growth boundaries already established.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 11:04 pm

IP Address: 97.126.100.98

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From: Margaret Rader <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 2:43 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Margaret Rader

Email: holmfarm@aol.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

**Comment:** Current rules are adequate for industrial development and we do not need to put farmland at risk.

Time: October 4, 2021 at 9:43 pm IP Address: 65.102.143.213

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From: Rick Jordan <donotreply@wordpress.com>

Sent: Monday, October 4, 2021 3:27 PM

**To:** Andrew Boughan

**Subject:** [] Comment on the Up Castle Land Use & Rezone Amendment

Name: Rick Jordan

Email: rjordan665@gmail.com

**Do you support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment?:** I do not support the Up Castle Comprehensive Plan Amendment proposal.

Comment:

Time: October 4, 2021 at 10:26 pm IP Address: 216.235.112.111

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