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Sent: Monday, March 28, 2016 11:28 AM
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Subject: Comments on the Proposed Zone Code

Dear Mr. Huston and members of the Planning Commission:

I have many concerns on Okanogan County's proposed Zone Code. The primary concerns I have are the affects of the proposed Zone Code on water quality and water quantity in Okanogan County. In my opinion, the Zone Code does not address the biggest concern I have, the over-allocation of water. For example: There is not enough water in the lower Methow area for the existing number of lots that exist. Why is the County proposing to increase development even more in this area? Proposals in the Zone Code that would add additional lots in the lower Methow in R1 one-acre zoning and allow multifamily and mobile home park developments at five units per acre does not make any sense. In addition to exacerbating the problem of water over-allocation, this proposal would increase the potential for fatalities to residents and firefighters during a wildfire event.

I have read the letter submitted by the Methow Valley Citizens Council concerning the proposed Zone Code. I support all the concerns and recommendations of the Methow Valley Citizens Council concerning the proposed Zone Code. Please implement their suggested recommendations.

Thank you,

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