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**From:** Perry Huston  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 12, 2014 11:01 AM  
**To:** Lalena Johns; Tanya Craig; Anna Randall; \* County Commissioners  
**Subject:** FW: Comments on County Comprehensive Plan, Interim Zoning, and Determination of Non Significance

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**From:** Crystal Elliot [<mailto:crystalelliot2@gmail.com>]  
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**To:** Perry Huston  
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Dear Mr. Huston,

Because the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan revision could have adverse environmental effects, I urge you to require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to evaluate these potential impacts. In addition, I urge you to consider the following key points:

1. The Comprehensive Plan should clearly specify what measures will be taken to ensure adequate water supply for the density it envisions.
2. The Plan should be specific about protections for groundwater resources. Uses incompatible with groundwater protection should be eliminated from the District Use chart.
3. It is a step in the right direction that the county has kept the existing zoning for the Upper and Middle Methow Valley intact for now. The Methow CPA's should be included as part of this Comprehensive Plan and should be legally defensible, up to date, and consistent with the vision of the Methow Review District zoning.
4. The Plan should provide a concrete schedule for creation of a "More Completely Planned Area (CPA)" for the Lower Methow Valley (south of Gold Creek).
5. Contradictory elements of the Comprehensive Plan, Zoning Ordinance and supporting documents need reconciliation, and definitions provided, before adoption of these plans.
6. The past, present and future role of individual citizens, advisory groups and communities in shaping the Comprehensive Plan should be recognized and respected by County officials.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments,

Crystal Elliot

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