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The Okanogan county comprehensive plan should include less small lot development along its rivers and tributaries to preserve riparian habitat for the health of our environment and the health of our economy. The added benefits of a healthy fish population and beautiful views untainted by development would bring in more money than development over a longer period of time.

It should keep water in streams, wetlands and rivers for fish and wildlife, and preserve senior water rights-but should require updated water delivery and usage for those water rights.

The comprehensive plan should benefit farms, forests, and wildlife over development. Housing should be concentrated in the towns of Carlton, Twisp and Methow in the lower valley-not along the riparian in small lots.

It should require residences in the county that are not inhabited full time to pay more taxes to pay for habitat restoration, job creation and affordable housing.

The comprehensive plan should analyze the impacts on air quality, aquifer recharge and flood plains. It should also include the proposed 4th alternative in the EIS.

I am an owner of a small business in Okanogan County. I was raised in Clark County WA where unchecked suburban sprawl destroyed the environment where I grew up. After studying sustainable development, organic agriculture, and native plant restoration in college I started a small business that now employs three part time individuals and provides steady income for my family. I've always live by what I can do personally to model a new way of doing business while protecting our environment. Plantas Co. does this and is committed to continuing to do this in Okanogan County.

Thank you for your time and service,
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