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To: Cortney Ingle
Subject: Comp. Plan

Dear Okanogan County Regional Planning Commission,

Thank you for the opportunity to make comments on the Comprehensive Plan for Okanogan County.

The Methow Valley is a rare and wonderful place to live. Our rural atmosphere, wildlife, clean air and open spaces reflect the values of the people who live here. The Comprehensive Plan should reflect these values.

Development needs to be balanced with water rights and the possibility that we may not always have enough water for large growth.

I think the Lower Methow Valley should be governed as one unit as the Upper Methow Valley.

I feel strongly that the Comp Plan directly express support for Firewise principles in the county. The Comprehensive Plan should support planning to deal with woodsmoke during fires and fire management, and the cumulative impacts upon people.

The Comp Plan should support a Transportation Plan that considers egress and ingress on primitive roads in case of fires and give support to plans like the Community Wildfire Protection Plan. We need access to roads as a matter of our safety.

I would like to see to see a professional economic analysis and comparison of the Alternatives in the Environmental Impact Statement before decisions are made. I would like the document to give enough understandable information to support good decisions about the future and environmental impacts. I would you like to see a document that is more understandable and professionally done. Hiring a qualified and experienced professional to assist in drafting and developing a coherent comprehensive plan and environmental impact statement would be prudent.

Thank you For your consideration,
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