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To: Cortney Ingle
Subject: Spohn comment: Methow Valley Plan
Attachments: Methow Planning areas.pdf; Methow Valley Plan cover sheet.pdf

Cortney - please add these two documents to my comments on the current Draft Comp Plan and DEIS, due today. One is the inside cover sheet of the 1976 Methow Valley Plan, and Addendum to the Comprehensive Plan. A revision of the document (for the 2014 Comprehensive Plan) appears on the county website but it is upside down and requires re-orientation of each page separately to read.

I noticed very recently that the enclosed sheet was missing from this more recent document, apparently in error. The Plan was revised at some point by the Planning Department to eliminate out of date reference to the Early Winters ski resort and/or the Arrowleaf development before issuance of a draft of the 2014 Comp Plan. There is no advisory group on record that approved the revision.

The point of submitting this is to show that the Methow Valley Plan included 4 planning sub areas with explanations of the differences among them, supporting the citizen comments that Sub Areas should be pursued in the upcoming Comprehensive Plan for at least the Methow Valley and also appropriate areas such as Tunk Valley in the Okanogan Valley. This current Sub Area concept is included in the current Draft Comp Plan and several past county documents, including resolutions.

Sincerely yours,
Isabelle Spohn

METHOW VALLEY PLAN

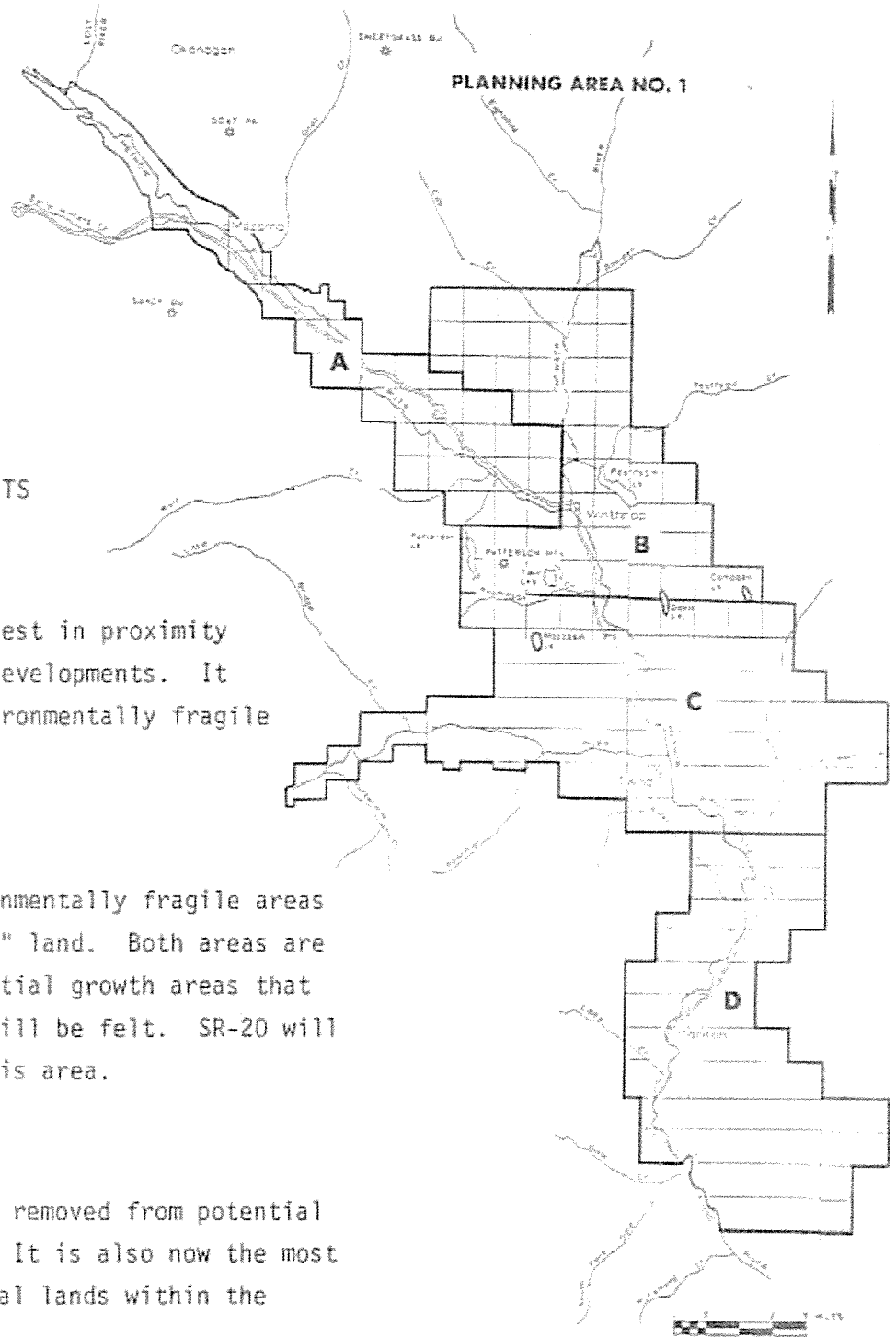
An Addendum to
Okanogan County's
Comprehensive Plan

This addendum to the Okanogan County Comprehensive Plan treats the upper Methow Valley. The text reflects the concerns, desires and needs of area residents and provides means to achieve their goals. It seeks to provide environmental and life style protection while answering social and economic needs. While this document is to be used by county officials as a basis for land use decisions in the study area, it is implicit that provisions in the county's Comprehensive Plan also apply here.

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PLANNING AREA SUB UNITS

Sub Unit A

This is the unit closest in proximity to potential future developments. It is also the most environmentally fragile area.

Sub Units B and C

These are less environmentally fragile areas and have more "usable" land. Both areas are close enough to potential growth areas that development impacts will be felt. SR-20 will continue to impact this area.

Sub Unit D

This area is farthest removed from potential development impacts. It is also now the most productive agricultural lands within the study area.

