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RE: Comments relating to the Snoqualmie Pass Area and compliance issues on the Eastern Washington Growth Management Hearings Board for (EWGMHB) decision Case 07-1-0004c

Dear Chairman McClain and Commissioners Crankovich and Huber:

I've owned my Hyak property and paid taxes since 1983. I am also a long-term fully paid participant in the Snoqualmie Public Utility District (SPUD) having been assessed for water and sewer hook-ups in the 1980's. My property is North of I-90 near Gold Creek. It is not a part of the Gordon Gray project. My reading of the GMA Decision makes no reference to my property as being a problem requiring it to be converted to rural zoning. What is going on here?

I want to know why the county is trying to undo years of prior land use planning and zoning that established the intent to develop the Hyak area. I spent countless hours in the multi-year Sno Pac planning project and relied upon Kittitas County government when it adopted the plan that it would be the guideline for the future.

The only new issue in this area is that some state and federal agencies together with public interest groups, have been trying to acquire my property. When I would not accept the very low and unreasonable appraisal, which did not take into account the zoning and the water and sewer infrastructure, they began trying to downzone it. This is very disturbing to say the least. I value my property which has water and sewer hookups and legal and adequate access and expect Kittitas County to respect my rights as a property owner.

The I-90 interchange at Hyak was obviously designed for future development and the SPUD planning (and assessments) further verify the history of thinking that Hyak north of I-90 would someday be developed. After 30+ years, that "someday" is here. Please adopt the LAMIRD, not rural land use was recommended by SPUD to you, in the last hearing.

Sincerely,
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