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Kittitas County Community Development Services 411 N Ruby Street Suite 2 Ellensburg, WA 98926

ATTN: Kirk Holmes, Interim Director Jeff Watson Development Services





I am responding to the Craig Land Company Short Plat Application SP-09-00019

I am formally opposing the above application on the following grounds:

- The parcel to be platted abuts my property, so I have standing.
- I have senior water rights in a community that has been and may still be under a water moratorium. An independent (not hired by the applicant) hydrologist needs to certify that should this property be built out and a well dug that it will not impact my water availability. This should be done at the applicants expense and administered by the County. The firm chosen should not have a financial interest with any of the properties in the Spring Creek Community.
- There currently exists a substantial over supply of small lots for sale in the upper Kittitas County. By increasing the supply you would be driving down prices and tax revenues, which are already strained.
 - As the owner of the research company that has conducted most of the real estate and economic demand analysis research for Suncadia, and numerous other developments in Central Washington, I have decades of data to prove my point.
- Ridgecrest Rd, is the only access for all the properties in the Spring Creek Development, and does not currently meet county road standards. Until there is a property agreement between Plum Creek and Port Quindal Development or their successors, the road will never meet the required standards to build out lots beyond the 8 residences that were originally allowed under the original segregation by Sapphire Skies.
- Finally, Rural 3 is a violation of the State Growth Management Act. This is being decided by the State Supreme Court. There is no way that a 3 acre lot is sustainable with out impacts to the abutting propeties.

I will send a hard copy of this letter through the mail as well with a return receipt requested. I wanted to make sure that you receive my comments and have an opportunity to respond. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

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