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Dear Chase,

It has come to my attention that a cell tower may potentially be placed on Manastash rd. I am writing to express my opposition to this. As a homeowner in West Ellensburg, I am saddened to think that the beautiful farmland this area is known for may be obstructed with a large cell tower. Many people move to this part of the valley because of the beauty of the land and the wonderful views of the valley. Placing a cell tower here would be unsightly and would surely lower property values.

The proposed property is zoned as an agriculture 20. The county website clearly states what the purpose of this land is for:

17.29.010 Purpose and intent.

The agriculture (A-20) zone is an area wherein farming, ranching and rural life styles are dominant characteristics. The intent of this zoning classification is to preserve fertile farmland from encroachment by nonagricultural land uses; and protect the rights and traditions of those engaged in agriculture. (Ord. 2013-008, 2013; Ord. 83-Z-2 (part), 1983: Res. 83-10, 1983)

Placing a cell tower on this land is absolutely an encroachment of nonagricultural use and does nothing to preserve the fertile farmland. Please decline this proposal.

Thank you, Justine Magnotti