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Kelly Bacon, Kittitas County Planner 1 Community Development Services 411 North Ruby Street Ellensburg, WA 98926

RE: Re-Notice of Application CU-23-00001 Proposed Commercial Meat Packing Facility by 3BR Custom Cuts

To whom it may concern,

We are re-writing with great concern to express our adamant opposition to the allowance of the proposed full service meat processing facility located at 3200 Wilson Creek Rd (#214534, Sec 29, T18, R19) by 3BR Custom Cuts.

We have lived at our 31 Lyons Rd home since 2001, property located at along Wilson Creek Rd. in near proximity of this proposed project. Though our properties encompass acreage and set outside of city limits, our community is a residential neighborhood full of families with young children, animals and pets, agriculture for livelihood. This processing plant will pose an unhealthy and hazardous environment. Irrigation for our land and animals, garden and yard as well as our domestic well system would be compromised for safe use. Please see images attached of recent flooding on our land that occurred May 7th – May 9th of this year, due to the diversion of water from the proposing property's flow of Lyle Creek into irrigation, flowing through our front property culvert (corner of Wilson Creek Rd and Lyons Rd). Our property has never faced a flooding challenge to this extreme and posed a dangerous ingress/egress from our home, invading our well pump-house and receded at 4ft to our home garage. My vehicle was unable to pass the waters.

We fear this facility will bring additional extreme concerns such as but not limited to; semi-truck and an increased volume of traffic up Wilson Creek Rd - unsafe for children and pets, smell of rendered animal and carcass discharge – invites surrounding predatory animals closer to our homes and farms, property values will plummet and decrease in value, and diminish our geographic standard of living.

Together we are asking that the County denies the re-submittal of application and does not permit this project from further development.

Regards, Chad & Heather Rugh

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