

July 25, 2022

To: Lewis County Planned Growth Committee

Subject: Chehalis Embarks on Process to Increase Urban Growth Area

My wife (Dalene) and I (Paul) own a working Certified Organic family farm that is very near to the acreage you are in discussion about for UGA expansion. The traffic, noise, garbage, and litter would all increase on Kirkland Road. Another issue of importance is the high amount of additional pollution that would be added to the Newaukum River. The Newaukum in recent years has become cleaner and is supporting more fish. A housing development would jeopardize the hard fought gains this river has made.

Housing developments won't hesitate to use inorganic herbicides (Roundup), fertilizers, and pesticides, all of which find their way into the waterways, which are detrimental to not only the fish, but all wildlife.

Another huge concern is the amount of added traffic that will clog an already extremely stressed interchange at I-5, exit 72. This interchange is currently at maximum capacity and cannot handle any more traffic. Both the Chehalis-Breen UGA expansion and the Chehalis-Westlund-Enbody expansion would make a large impact on the traffic problems that already exist at this exit.

For these reasons and more we are against both of the Chehalis UGA expansion plans.

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**To: Lewis County Planning Commission**

**Re: Chehalis-Westlund-Enbody UGA Expansion**

**The golf course portion of this proposal was submitted 2 or 3 years ago. At that time it was rejected due to water & sewer issues. In the meantime they have purchased adjacent properties in an effort to pass it through that way.**

**Part of this property is already a flood plain. Building more roads and dwellings will only serve to cause more flooding issues. This is a serious concern for residents living nearby.**

**There may be a need for houses, but we also need green space and amenities. There are plenty of building sites in the current UGA without destroying a golf course in the process.**

**F. H. and Carla Nalley**