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Planning Board

The proposed transportation plan is based on several flawed assumptions and should be revised:

1. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS DISCOUNTED: "The City of Sultan has determined that this project does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment." This determination fails to acknowledge the significant environmental degradation road building has on rural properties that support rural lifestyles, livelihoods, forests and large wildlife populations. It also fails to acknowledge that the plateau is filled with wetlands, streams and geologically unstable areas that are offered special protections under state law.

The Planning Board should note that this determination is inconsistent with RCW [36.70A.011](#) Findings—Rural lands. **The legislature finds that this chapter is intended to recognize the importance of rural lands and rural character to Washington's economy, its people, and its environment, while respecting regional differences. Rural lands and rural-based economies enhance the economic desirability of the state, help to preserve traditional economic activities, and contribute to the state's overall quality of life.**

The proposed Transportation Plan is self contradictory because it fails: **To incorporate environmental factors into transportation decision making, to take actions to reduce pollution and greenhouse gas emissions and fails to avoid new and expanded facilities in rural areas (pages 6, 7)**

2. ENTITLEMENT: City has no jurisdiction to plan beyond city limits where property owners are represented by Snohomish County.

3. UGA EXPANSION. The city is operating under the assumption that Snohomish County has given approval for further urban expansion to the north and east and is making transportation plans accordingly. This is a flawed assumption. In 2015 the city's 20 year population target was reduced 25% and the land was sized to accommodate the lowered allocation. There is no need for further expansion of any sort for years to come.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Rural property owners wish to remain in the county and strongly oppose roads slated for our properties. Examples of misguided planning are T-29 A and B which would criss/cross a thriving sheep farm. To preserve our rural heritage please remove T-24 , T-32A, T-29A, T-29B, T-49/57 and every other road, trail etc. proposed for rural areas beyond the city's jurisdiction. The City of Sultan needs to confine its transportation plans within city limits and not create further urban sprawl into rural areas.

T-35 should be removed because it makes no sense to kill a large portion of road side businesses on SR 2 and cut into city revenues.

Please help preserve our rural areas by withholding support for this deeply flawed transportation plan that threatens to destroy properties, lifestyles and the environment.

Thank you for your consideration,

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Good Evening,

Com'on you guys down at city hall. I love you all but man!.....let's stop the nonsense of road proposals in the county by the city. The county is the one who needs to authorize this. The city does not have jurisdiction to build roads nor even study roads to be built in the county, even if it is in the UGA. I am speaking of T-29A and T-29B in particular. The affected property owners are not notified of these visions and plans. Please, please please stop. Fix the length of 124th to the intersection first. And I know what you are thinking now. We don't have to because its not in the city. That is exactly my point. These proposed roads are not in the city so please please stop the nonsense. I'll treat you all to coffee and chat. This is nothing personal. But I hate these studies and surveys.

All the best,
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