

## Kate Blystone - Your County Growth Proposal

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I was very disappointed in your proposal for the reductions in the UGAs of the county's cities. I was hoping that you would have taken into consideration all the work done by the members of the GMCC, the various city staffs, planning commissions and the citizens themselves. Yet, in reading through the proposal, you did not.

The idea of Urban Reserve is just another way for the county to grab land from the cities. Once land is in the Urban Reserve, there is no way to get it out. The county wanted 1800 acres from Ferndale, they proposed 900. Therefore, to get your additional amount, magically Urban Reserve appears taking up the remaining 900 acres. The problem, where is the justification for this additional 900 acres. From all reports that I have seen, I am a Ferndale Planning Commission member, there is no justification for this additional land. Is the concept of Urban Reserve even legal under the GMA?

I would hope you would reconsider your proposal and all the time and effort that went into the various cities plans, GMCC.

I would be interested in your comments...

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