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Dear Members of Whatcom County Planning Commission,

As residents of Maple Falls we ardently desire that the Foothills Area remain rural and recreational in character. In this light we support the Subarea Minority Report. Please give it honest consideration!

One of our greatest concerns is the traffic congestion and consequent danger (in the Kendall area) that will result if hundreds of new homes and industrial development is encouraged. Even with the current population, traffic congestion on the Mt. Baker Highway is challenging – left turns onto 542 are often next to impossible.

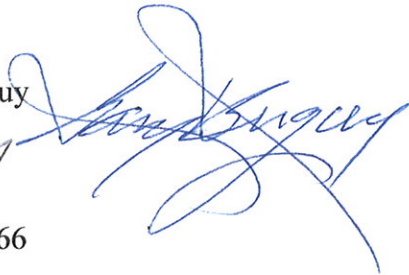
Another concern is protection of a healthy environment. Air and water pollution, loss of fish habitat, stress on plant and animal life are areas that have not yet been adequately addressed.

We choose to live here because it is rural! We cherish open space, forests and mountains, fresh lakes and streams, small neighborhood communities, two-lane roads, and a peaceful quality of life.

Sincerely,

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