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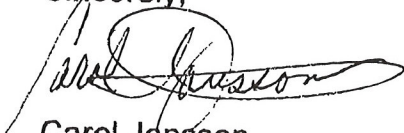
RE: Public Comment - Foothills DSEIS

Dear Sir,

I am a resident of the Columbia Valley in the Foothills, and wish to express my support for alternative #1 as presented in the Draft Foothills Subarea Plan and adopted by the FSPAC. We need a grocery store and other basic services in our community. Alternative #1 properly acknowledges that the Columbia Valley needs these services, and will help provide much-needed local jobs.

The Columbia Valley has been developed at urban residential levels for many years. We are already big enough to be a city out here, yet we don't have urban level services. Alternative #1 will help to subsidize the tax base and help provide additional revenue for police, fire and EMS services. Alternative 1 is the only alternative that recognizes the existing conditions. Therefore, I support alternative No. 1 without the mitigation maps.

Sincerely,



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