

# 1. ENVIRONMENT

2. Land: protect farmland + wild land from development.

3. WATER: PRESERVE & PROTECT IMPORTANT WETLANDS IN OUR RELATIVELY ARID COUNTY

1. GENERAL: ENSURE ~~THE~~ LARGE UNFRAGMENTED FOREST AREAS ARE MAINTAINED AS FOREST ENVIRONMENT.

2. Create strategic pockets of dense development for the purpose of preserving larger tracts of land and intact habitats. (i.e. fewer 5/10/20 acre ranch ranchettes.)

3. Restrict wells near Rock Creek.

4. ADDRESS UTILITY GROWTH VS DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

1. General: Create easier/more effective way to ~~stop~~ prevent or discourage private landowners from illegally damaging land + resources in + around their land.

1/3 Focus development in areas where utilities exist rather than expanding the wildland urban interface and causing the need for more wells tapping into the aquifer

3. Proactively enforce regulations around septic systems to protect water.

1. Preserve wildlife corridors along Rock Creek and Klickitat River.

3. Look at road structures & their impact on water runoff. In Glenwood road "improvement" created increased water runoff into existing properties.

4. Air - toxic air! during fire season - ---

• Aquifer in White Salmon River Valley is a lava flow with lots of lava tubes/cavities for contaminating well water with surface water. Well depths should have minimum depth requirement to avoid this problem. (I know a 120' well that pumps up mud and ~~see~~ coliform bacteria.)

• Meaningfully limit the number of dead cars, vehicles, RVs, and trash on private lands.

# 2 NATURAL RESOURCES

CONCERNS FOR PROTECTION OF RESOURCE LANDS - Forestry, Aqu., Mining

- Please see submitted Food For thought - RCW's - WAC - Lewis County Comp zoning to SATISFY COMP PLAN.

3-Forestry: Promote forest health and wildfire Resilience through encouraging active management like fuels reduction + appropriate use of prescribed burning.

1. To limit resource extraction activities + industries, and encourage activities + commerce that preserve natural resources. by all parties. Sustainability is for all people to do.

2. Monitor water quality to enforce standards + reduce pollution  
↳ includes road runoff, + agricultural runoff/practices  
- design

2 FORESTRY: MINIMIZE LOSS OF PRODUCTIVE FOREST LAND BY LIMITING DEVELOPMENT IN LARGE, UNFRAGMENTED FOREST LANDSCAPES.

Educate the community about how to take care of our resources + why it's important to preserve our wild lands.

Minimize loss of productive farm ground to solar/urban development

# 3. ECONOMY

- Tourism cuts both ways: employment - environmental and "rural feel" damage.

~~Increase industries and~~

- No outreach to business owners

- No space for small start ups. incubator sites

- Grants to improve areas already existing to convert/encourage these small businesses.  
Increase ability of local "farmers" + artisans to use these common areas.

- INFRASTRUCTURE THAT SUPPORTS WORK AT HOME SUCH AS ASPECT

- INTERNET ACCESS (FIBER OPTIC)

- 1. Industry: to increase + promote industries + job opportunities that enhance the communities + natural resources of Klickitat County

- ↳ And also to encourage + promote economic changes that keep young people / the next generation in K County.

- County Support (\$) for Public Restroom Facilities in Rural Centers (e.g. Trout Lake)

↳ Directly supports Tourism + Small Businesses

- Find ways to keep farming + timber sustainable - environmentally + financially

- ↑ (on large and small scales)

- encourage childcare for workers in all of the above

# 4. HOUSING

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Provide transportation to affordable housing outside city centers

\* All new development should be fire hardened!

TL community septic

Yes + Create work force housing  
- grocery - post office - migrant farming  
forestry - teachers - Seasonal (people who work in the county often can't afford to live here)

SENIOR HOUSING — INDEPENDENT  
— ASSISTED  
— MEMORY CARE

SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING

ADU to existing properties → additional power, water, septic not on "city lines"

MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING

LOW/MED INCOME HOUSING

• Have zoning configurations that can facilitate higher density affordable housing for local teachers, etc.

• Make it easy to put in ADUs

Alternative Housing Options, i.e., Tiny Homes, Yurts, Cob, etc. Straw Bale, Tree Houses,

↳ Zoning support or simple Alternative Use Permit Process.

- We Need Affordable Housing -

- Cease Housing - AVOID SPRAWL

- less air b-n-b's or higher taxes for them

- less 2nd homes

- Reduce minimum Acreage in some areas - Residential 1 Home

- allow for development to occur in rural center zoning in rural communities

↳ requiring substantive infrastructure development such as paved sidewalks - the cost of such requirements is so high to make it prohibitive for locals to proceed w/ such investment. This equals to lots of signs more in line w/ RR1 or RR2 to avoid the cost. Regulations such as this prevent the development of affordable housing in rural areas.

All ZONING REGS. should run through the filter: "How will this affect affordable housing?"

# 5. TRANSPORTATION

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- Options for public transportation services need to be clarified and better publicized for what's available to residents.

- Plan ahead for seniors transportation needs, e.g. shuttle for shopping, library, dr's appointments.

- Parking - for kayakers along the hwy
  - in trout lake, @ park, along roads etc - there's no handicap parking

- Maps for bike riders, safest routes, rules of roads, ones to stay off of.
  - wide bike path marked.

- MAKE COUNTY ROADS WITH 2-WAY ACCESS. IT CAN BE

- and with wide turnouts
- DANGEROUS WHEN FIRES OCCUR, PEOPLE CAN BE TRAPPED WITH NO WAY OUT

- More parking in downtown Trout Lake + public restrooms near gas station (ditto)

restrict driveways entering arterial roads.

- Winter snowplowing on county roads (eg, BZ-GW Hwy) is barely adequate to inadequate during heavy snowfall. Would be good to have a phone number to report problems / problem areas.

- Hwy 14 - needs improvement - not a good semi-truck road etc.

# 6. PUBLIC SERVICES

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## COUNTY WIDE Cell Service Helps All Public Services

- Fire Service districts - that encompass all/jany homes including address
- Maintain existing community green spaces @ the minimum, look towards expanding those around and in communities
- In each "town" - a place to get info - health avail / transport avail
- Need to expand services for seniors; those w/ disabilities, and focus funding/efforts in senior housing and services in the larger communities w/ Bing and Goldendale. Small communities are not able to "build their own"
- Emergency response from Goldendale is too slow

Work to preserve the Trout Lake school - please no consolidation!

## ROBUST INTERNET COVERING ALL AREAS OF COUNTY reliable (fiber optic)

Mandatory mowing and **NO SPRAY** on roadsides for all Trout Lake Valley - the organic valley

Better support for youth  
Emergency planning support for the smaller communities

\* Mental health care county wide  
↳ including expanded addiction-support services

\* Addiction prevention and treatment Address meth and fentanyl issues

Robust and reliable emergency services through out the county (for fire flood, etc) power outages

# 1. GOVERNMENT

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● Do not split the Trout Lake Precinct ●

● Lower taxes ~~no explanation on property tax increases~~  
● increase taxes on 2<sup>nd</sup> homes/vacation rentals

● Stay in its proper lane - out of our private homes and property

● Improve roads

● Promote and encourage business activity (locally owned) ●

● Communication and involvement with communities ●

● Listen to affected communities - especially in rezone decisions!

● Increase opportunities <sup>for public</sup> to participate in decision-making, especially around land use.

- More services for community members

● Youth services, community centers, prioritize prevention for communities  
- elder services + access to resources (increased)

- REESTABLISH THE REGIONAL AWARENESS AND COOPERATION TO FOSTER AND CREATE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITY COUNCILS

● AUTHORIZE COMMUNITY COUNCILS TO HAVE ACTUAL POWER AS REPRESENTATIVES OF ESTABLISHED COMMUNITIES IN KLICKITAT COUNTY

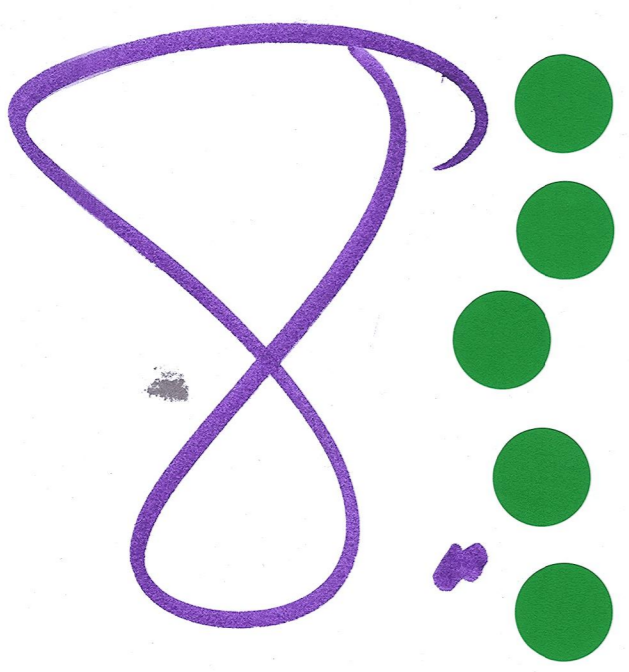
● We need more than 3 co. commissioners for such a huge area.

● Use internet - + share the info + send out paper info 1x or 2x a year to Av.

● figure out how to enforce regulations in place for public health -  
Safety

- Get control of the huge increases in appraised values in the West County.

● And set the tax rates high enough to support county services and government



Klickitat Co. is commonly known as a "complaint driven" county due to lax enforcement of laws/requirements and too much good old boy cronyism.

- IN 1979 FEW PEOPLE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT WILDFIRE. THE COUNTY SHOULD FACTOR THIS INTO THE PLAN - HOW + WHERE TO DEVELOP, THE ROAD SYSTEM, ETC

- Prioritize the park in Trout Lake, needs to be more useable + accessible  
↳ better parking, could make more money

- ● COMPREHENSIVE EMERGENCY SERVICES PLAN BY COMMUNITY TO ADDRESS  
yep. WILD FIRES + NATURAL DISASTERS

- Policies That recognize resource land used for gathering + spiritual activities

- Recognize + fully protect food-gathering + other Treaty Rights for access to Yakama Nation, and other tribes.

- ● EDUCATE COUNTY PLANNING DEPT ABOUT THE NEED TO FOLLOW COMMUNITY RECOMMENDATIONS ABOUT LOCATION OF DEVELOPMENT - SPRAWL IS DESTRUCTIVE TO ENVIRONMENT AND AGRICULTURAL GOALS