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Subject: Copies of our TDR comments for the Commissioners information

To: Skagit County Planning and Development

We urge you to say NO to TDR's for Skagit County. For one thing, the effects of TDR's on farming in this county is not addressed. For another, the County Commissioners have already said NO once already. A TDR program will negatively affect the Farmland Legacy program.

TDRs could be well be used to increase density where it should not go: in forest lands. Killing the forest lands or the farmlands in order to save them makes no sense. The saying goes, "If it doesn't make sense, follow the money"---- TDRs for Skagit County do not make sense, so I will ask this question: Who is pushing the TDR issue? Could it be that an entity (entities) who stands to make a lot of money at public expense is shoving this idea along? We have a good comp plan already. Why burden the tax payers with another level of administration that will result from a TDR program that doesn't fit our county in the first place.

TDR programs are at best a "Not-Fit" for Skagit and at worst a scam by a few who stand to benefit financially at the expense of the rest of us. Just say NO to TDRs.

Sincerely,

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