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Skagit County Planning Commissioners 1800 Continental Place Mount Vernon, WA

RE: Skagit County's proposed Conservation & Development Incentives program

Dear Planning Commission Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments regarding Skagit County's proposed Conservation and Development Incentives (CDI) Program Policies and Code.

The City is interested in innovative methods of conserving areas that are important to the community, such as the Community Forestlands and surrounding areas that help protect the forestlands' functions and values, while encouraging development within areas that are most suited for increased densities.

To this end, the City has contracted with Makers Urban Design and Architecture to conduct a market and economic analysis to study of the feasibility of participating in a CDI program, considering local community conditions and objectives. Upon completion of this analysis, staff will be bringing the information to the public, Planning Commission and City Council for review and discussion.

If you have any questions or need additional information please contact me at 360-299-1942 or don@cityofanacortes.org.

Sincerely,

Don Measamer

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