

Riverside / Conconully Neighborhood Meeting
January 8th, 2008

Present were John Andrist, Becki Andrist, Monica Oakes, Lorraine Utt, Jim Soriano, Nancy Soriano, Maggie McNett and Char Beam

Becki called the meeting to order at 6:15

Monica provided a map showing state and federal land. The map was reviewed with the central valley map showing the planning area for the group.

Nancy asked if we could have Tunk Valley be its own sub-group because Tacoma Land has sold 900 lots for a potential of 3600 new residents (900 4 person families).

Becki said that we need to look at density.

Nancy said that Tunk Valley can't tolerate what has happened.

Becki said this is out neighborhood, we need to plan for it.

Jim said we have to be reasonable.

Nancy said that what they have in Tunk Valley is unique; timber around the valley that has been sold, all that is left is the middle which is grazing land. For the land that is left she would like to see no new development at all.
Nancy would also like to see "view corridors".

Becki said that she wants to keep the rural character, foster rural activities, not just orchards, but grazing, dry-land farming. We also need to make sure what we do is compatible with wildlife. Keep the density low as you move away from the towns.

Nancy said need to address fire suppression and law enforcement needs.

Becki said that one of the responsibilities is to look at the impact on county services.

John said it doesn't have to be lot size, but other requirements for roads or other requirements may be so onerous as to deter further development.

Becki wants to designate as Rural/Agricultural to try to keep the integrity of what we have.

Nancy would like to address light pollution.

Becki would like to address septic systems around creeks, rivers and lakes.

Becki said we need to look at areas where a 20 acre minimum won't work ie Nichols road has a winery the airport is city, but an industrial park is planned. Bide-A-Wee, Greenacres also have commercial development.

Monica wants to address a safety zone around the airport.

The group will be doing outreach to community members with comments due to Char prior to the next meeting so that copies can be made for all to review.

Next meeting is 6:00 January 22nd at the Riverside Grange.