July 8, 2015

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RE: Comp Plan and Nightly Rentals

Dear Ben,

We own River Pines Inn, a licensed Tourist Accommodation in the Town of Winthrop. We wanted to insure that our thoughts were added to the record at the time of the Public Hearings.

Please know that we appreciate the existing rules that are in place for Nightly Rentals. We feel that it is important that the new Comprehensive Plan does NOT allow nightly rentals in areas where the zoning disallows tourist accommodations. At the very least, if Nightly Rentals are allowed in Residentially zoned areas, we feel that the Health District as well as the Planning Department shall place licensing requirements on the premises to insure that 2% Tourism Tax is collected by the State and funneled to Okanogan County, and that Health and Safety guidelines are met to protect guests.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

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