

## Lauren Davidson

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Items below are submitted as public comments and concerns to the currently proposed County Zoning changes.

### Concern/Wildfire/

Any proposed Zoning changes as well as proposed Comprehensive Plan changes ABSOLUTELY MUST include address of wildfire issues/including firefighter access/individual and neighborhood protection and prevention/water availability. To do otherwise in light of recent wildfire seasons in Okanogan County is not responsible government.

### Concern/Water/

Is over-allocated. Does not take into account water availability in relation to allowed/proposed development density. Not enough water for allowed/proposed development under proposed Zoning. Water availability was not included in the proposed Comprehensive Plan/and apparently deferred to Zoning. Now water is not included in Zoning and perhaps deferred elsewhere. Hmm/Is something wrong with this picture?

### Concern/Development Density/

Does not take into account water availability in relation to allowed/proposed Development Density. Not enough water. Not enough planning and permit guidelines and education for development proposals. In my mind's eye I see the down valley Development mess on the shoreline of the Methow River/unpermitted building in progress.

### Concern/Condition Use Permits/

Have been a problem. County has attempted playing catchup/but not effective. Catchup can be more problem for a property owner than planning guidelines at the start/and resource damage to land and water may not be reversible. First of all do no harm.

### Concern/No coordinated Zoning Plan/

Rather County seems to consider that each property is isolated/doesn't include adjacent neighbors/neighborhoods/resource impacts/for water/sewage/development density/other. Not so/we all live downstream.

### Concern/No Coordinated Zoning Plan/

Voluntary counts/no question. We all want our independence/but lack of beforehand planning can end up compromising that independence we want.

### Concern/No Co-ordinated Zoning Plan/

That the County has not included a mix of voluntary/and regulatory guidelines/to move toward a better outcome for people/as well as land/water/resources that we all depend on.

Above are my generalized concerns with current Zoning proposal. I have reviewed and support the current detailed comments to the County Zoning proposal from Methow Valley Citizens Council.

Sincerely,  
Susan Crampton

