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Dear County Commissioners,

I am writing to respectfully request your denial of the proposed rezoning of the property located on Ben Parks Road from AR-1 (Agricultural Residential) to PCD (Planned Commercial Development).

This request is inconsistent with the County's Comprehensive Land Use Plan, which clearly designates this area to remain Agricultural/Residential in nature—not commercial. Approving this rezoning would set a precedent that undermines the long-term vision and planning efforts established to preserve the character of our community.

The rural nature of the Ben Parks Road area is not conducive to commercial development. The surrounding properties, land use patterns, and community expectations are rooted in maintaining a low-density, agricultural/residential environment. Introducing commercial activity into this setting would significantly alter the character and integrity of the area.

Additionally, the existing infrastructure is not equipped to support a development of this scale and type. Roads in the area are not designed to accommodate increased commercial traffic, and there is insufficient access to public water and wastewater systems necessary for such a project. These limitations raise serious concerns regarding safety, sustainability, and long-term impact.

Furthermore, the potential impacts of commercial development—including increased noise, lighting, traffic congestion, and environmental disruption—would negatively affect the quality of

life for current residents. These are not compatible with the expectations of those who live in and have invested in a rural residential community.

For these reasons, I strongly urge you to uphold the Comprehensive Land Use Plan and deny the requested rezoning.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and commitment to preserving the integrity of our community.

Sincerely,
Susan Gowan

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