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Hello - I've been on vacation for a few days and just opened my laptop to discover the below email in my "Drafts" file.

We support Amendment 19-0002 - Parcel 351444004000 should be part of the UGA. It is close to town and highly developable. As such, it is very suitable as a location for additional housing stock for the community.

We oppose the proposal by San Juan County Public Works to change the land use designation of parcel 352412001000 from Rural Residential to Rural Industrial. This request number is 21-0002. The basis of our opposition is as follows: this parcel is, almost entirely, bounded by park land, and the long term plan for the area should be as a park, open to the public. Such a space would link the LaFarge Open Space (the gravel pit) to Jackson's Beach, creating a waterfront public asset in perpetuity. For instance, it is currently being used by the kayak companies, and thus it's easy to imagine the area built out as a public/private low impact marine center and open space. Since both RR and RI zoning designations permit parks as a conditional use, there is no need to change the designation.

Changing to RI will, however, allow more industrial County (or other) uses on the site, which will make it harder and more unlikely for the area to be converted to park in the future. County (or other) industrial uses should be undertaken in locations that are less spectacular, and not wedged between two popular public destinations that already serve as a de facto park.

Finally, our neighborhood bore the brunt of living next to an industrial site for well over fifty years as gravel was dug, processed, and shipped away. It seems inequitable to lay the ground work for more industrial uses by allowing this comp plan change.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the proposed comp plan change.

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