



# City of Battle Ground

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Clark County Board of Councilors  
Clark County Planning Commission  
Attn: Oliver Orjiako  
P.O. Box 9810  
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RE: Growth Management Hearings Board Compliance

Dear Mr. Orjiako,

In order to come into compliance with issue 5 in the Growth Management Hearings Board Final Decision and Order, the City of Battle Ground is proposing to remove the 82 acres that was added to the urban growth boundary during the 2015 Comprehensive Plan Update.

Attached please find two documents providing justification and background for why removing the additional acreage brings Battle Ground into compliance. Part 1 of the attached addresses actions and observations regarding density and employment capacity in regards to projected numbers verses actual development patterns as well as addresses reasonable measures. Part 2 of the attached is an analysis of capacity using updated numbers and accounting for recent development. The combination of these two documents show that Battle Ground's UGA, while perhaps slightly undersized, is sufficient to meet the 20-year projections.

The expansion area currently has a comprehensive plan designation of mixed use and an urban holding overlay. The City understands that this property, once removed from our UGA, will return to the original R-5 zoning and the urban holding overlay will be removed. The City is requesting that the urban reserve 20 overlay be placed on this 82 acres to protect against undue parcelization at this location and to preserve this area for future economic development.

We thank you for working with us throughout this process. If you need any addition information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. You can reach me at [erin.erdman@cityofbg.org](mailto:erin.erdman@cityofbg.org) or (360) 342-5044.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Erin Erdman".

Erin Erdman  
Community Development Director

cc: Jeff Swanson, City Manager  
Sam Crummett, Planning Supervisor  
Susan Drummond, Contract City Attorney

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