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To: Mindy Brooks
Subject: RV Code Changes

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Dear Lewis County Planning Commissioners:

I am writing to respond to the proposed code changes to the county RV Parks and campgrounds for Lewis County.

While the changes seem to mostly apply to RV campgrounds and parks, I believe a bigger issue in Lewis County is the seemingly unregulated use of RVs on private property, in many cases quite a few RVs on the same property, that are not in working condition, and not hooked up to water or sewer. I believe that the Lewis County and state code for RV occupancy, even on private land, is too unregulated, and is allowing for many individuals living in unsafe conditions, while at the same time creating a future biosludge problem for the environment.

The code states it applies to private land owners who collect a fee for 2 or more RVs on their property. How will Code Enforcement ever know if a fee is being collected? Additionally, it states that if a property owner does not collect a fee, friends and family are exempted. I believe this loose wording is resulting in many RV encampments on private land that the county does not have the ability to control. I encourage a change that would limit the number of RVs staying on a private lot to be 2 or fewer, and they must be hooked up to septic and water if they are to be occupied beyond a few weeks.

Respectfully submitted, Gina Owen Randle, WA

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