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ZTA 23-09 Farming – Incidental Outdoor Stays

Commercial Lodging in the Ag Reserve.

The proposal for commercial lodging in the Ag Reserve is highly controversial in general. The suggestions themselves appear antithetical to the Ag Reserve itself, regardless of the notion of it increasing Agritourism.

This proposal needs more intensive review to gain a better understanding of it.

The community of Boyds should be allowed adequate time to review this ZTA, collect a consensus of opinions and prepare testimony related to it. The announcement of ZTA 23-09 (11/7/23) missed our last Meeting of 10/19/23. Some information will be discussed at the next Meeting of the Boyds Civic Association on January 18, 2024.

Please reject ZTA 23-09 or extend the open period to allow adequate time for community opinions to be heard and testimony to be prepared.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

Sincerely,  
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President, Boyds Civic Association  
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