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Agenda Item

Proposed Rule Amendments; Chapter 15-15

Position

Oppose

Testimony

The Department of Agriculture has not completed its full review of the proposed rule amendments to the LUC's administrative rules. Please note that the Department neither supports nor opposes the proposed rule amendments. Once completed, we will submit our comments and recommendations for consideration by the LUC staff and Commission members.

We do point out the following item that appears to need amendment and is indicative of the level of review Department of Agriculture staff is applying to the proposed rule amendments.

Section 15-15-03 Definitions

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The definition of "Farm dwelling" must be amended to conform to the current definition in Section 205-4.5(a)(4).

"(4) Farm dwellings, employee housing, farm buildings, or activities or uses related to farming and animal husbandry. "Farm dwelling", as used in this paragraph, means a single-family dwelling located on and accessory to a farm, including clusters of single-family farm dwellings permitted within agricultural parks developed by the State, or where agricultural activity provides income to the family occupying the dwelling;"

End of testimony