Submitter: Meeky Blizzard

On Behalf Of:

Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development

Measure: SB1051

Dear Chair Jama and Committee Members Anderson, Knopp, Patterson, and Sollman.

I write in opposition to SB 1051.

This bill would strongly undermine our current Land Use process, which has successfully shaped the development of our cities and preserved our critical resource lands for decades. It would enable private landowners to bypass our current land use process without any guarantees that land brought into a UGB would actually be developed as promised. It removes the authority for orderly development from local jurisdictions and state agencies, effectively undermining years of patient planning, and would distract jurisdictions from implementing comprehensive housing solutions. In short, it would upend our successful land use process for private gain, instead of public good.

I urge you to vote No on SB1051.

Sincerely, Meeky (Elisabeth) Blizzard