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I've seen beautiful, rolling hills of fertile and irreplaceable farmland being decimated by short-sighted decisions such as this measure. Once this land is covered with asphalt and cement it's gone forever. Data centers are energy and resource hogs and do little to benefit local government. This is true especially if these entities are given massive tax breaks.

Besides these factors who ends up paying for the necessary infrastructure (roads, bridges, culverts, drainage, lighting, additional police, etc.) that will be required? Us taxpayers that's who. It's no different then the cost to the public when new housing chews up the same farmland, forests and other open spaces. There is already sufficient land within the current UBG without destroying more valuable farmland. The UBGs that were established years ago and been trampled upon enough. I wholeheartedly urge you to defeat this measure.

Sincerely, Bruce Warner