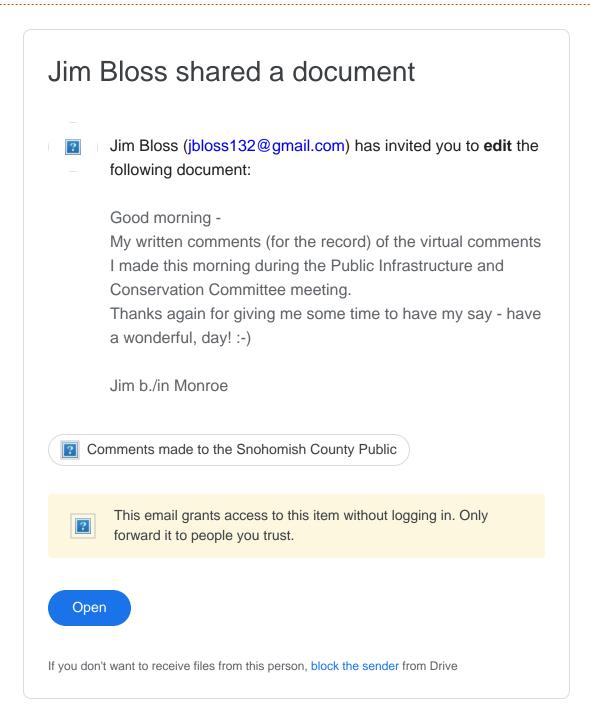
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Comments made to the Snohomish County Public Infrastructure and Conservation Committee on June 5, 2023

My name is Jim Bloss and I live in Monroe - Sam Low is my Sno. Co. Council representative.

I'm here today to ask you to please consider joining other jurisdictions in WA. State who have officially made requests to the WA. State Dept. of Natural Resources to preserve all of our mature/legacy forests in Snohomish County. As I understand it there are about 27,000 acres of mature/legacy forests in our County, 6,000 of them in the lowlands which are subject to logging in the near future by the Dept. of Natural Resources.

I come late to the battle for a better natural environment -I did so when it became apparent that if I didn't join others in this battle, my children and grandchildren (and their children) may not survive the legacy we are currently providing for them - and I'm still learning what it takes to reduce carbon in our atmosphere - But what I've learned early on is that mature trees suck up carbon dioxide in greater quantities than new or newly planted/replacement trees which take many years to grow to the point where they will be able to reduce carbon and generate oxygen as well as already established trees, particularly if they do it conjunction with other mature trees these wonder workers are called "forests", as we all know.

Please, join with other jurisdictions around WA. State and let the Dept. of Natural Resources know that we in Snohomish County want our old trees left alone so that they can do the job for which they were born - and save us all in that process.

Thank you.