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Okotoks Mayor and Town Council,

Here are a few reasons why the proposed land use designation should not be allowed:

1. Wildlife uses that field. Geese stop in by the hundreds, over the course of several weeks, during their migration in the spring and the fall to feed on what's left of the crops. Murders of crows gather in spring. In one instance last week there were at least 50 in the field. I counted 20 robins, and there were more, settling back in. Magpies are ubiquitous. Deer use the field year around to forage not to mention the mice, small birds and other smaller animals that make their home there.
2. Okotoks has always been unsure of where its water will come from, hence the population "caps" of the past. That was until a deal was struck with Calgary. However, Calgary is having water problems of its own and also has a development overload. How long before they decide they can't afford to supply Okotoks water because they need it for Calgary? Then what does Okotoks do with all of the development and not enough water?
3. Okotoks already has several large development projects. Do we really need another one?

Trading farmland for houses to make developers wealthy, at who know what cost to Okotokians, doesn't seem like a good idea.

Sincerely,

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