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I am a rural property owner and sheep farmer. The proposed "Plan" should not be adopted. I have seen a concerning trend by the state agencies to convert voluntary guidelines into enforceable mandates. This is legislative action in disguise. The state agencies do NOT have the power to enact legislative measures against the people of WA State. The proposed 'Plan' appears to be a power grab that would give the DOE sweeping control over land use in violation of basic property rights. The Plan would make the CCP proud (perhaps that is the point?).

The Plan's target appears to be rural properties especially those bearing livestock. As a livestock farmer (sheep) with irrigation water rights, I am deeply concerned that the DOE seeks to take control of my land and property via water control. The DOE is NOT the state legislature, and any action taken to adopt or enforce the Plan is patently unconstitutional.

The Plan is also ridiculous. "Lack of shade" is not pollution. Allowing grass to grow for feed for livestock may not be controlled or regulated by the state. Vague and subjective definitions in the hands of bureaucrats wielding false and unconstitutional regulatory power is extremely dangerous.

The proposed Plan could also constitute an unlawful takings in response to which land owners would be entitled to sue for inverse condemnation.

Make no mistake. The public is acutely aware of the WA state governmental efforts to move people off their land. The public is acutely aware of their own government's unrelenting efforts to deprive them of private property rights. The communist/marxist ideology at play is obvious to everyone.

Proceed at your own risk.