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Subject: No to Wal-Mart

We have lived in Tumwater for the last 29 years and have done just fine without Wal-Mart. Why do we need a big box store when we have Costco, Albertson's, Fred Meyer, Mega Foods and Home Depot all in this area? If anything, we'd much rather see a Trader Joe's or a nice restaurant go in there. We are totally against Wal-Mart and what it stands for.

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We don't know how traffic circles can solve the traffic problem on Littlerock Road. The increase of traffic to this area will have a detrimental effect. We already wait up to 7 minutes for traffic to pass by to get onto the Littlerock Road from Glenwood Park. Also, how many trees will be lost due to this mega store?

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One Wal-Mart in Thurston County is enough. Mega Foods is already going out of business due to Wal-Mart in Hawks Prairie. How many good jobs will be lost to local businesses and traded for minimum wage to Wal-Mart? That means more of our tax dollars will be supporting low income families who can't afford health insurance or have to go on food stamps because of low wages from Wal-Mart.

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This company professes to support the community. Tumwater Middle School already found out how much they support the local community. We had a Fun Run at Tumwater Middle School this spring and our PTO asked and asked for some support from Wal-Mart. They hardly donated anything and the time to get this small donation took more time than it was worth.

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We ask that the city council and the mayor of Tumwater to reconsider and stop Wal-Mart from building in our city.

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Sincerely,

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