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A quick look at today's news should remind us that climate change is a serious problem
(see for example <https://www.washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2023/06/08/dc-air-quality-code-purple-canada-smoke/>).
We need to be finding ways to encourage the construction of housing that don't contribute to the problem by encouraging yet more driving. That's exactly what expanding the Urban Growth Boundary does - creating housing where people need to drive in order to shop, get to work, or attend school.
There is plenty of space within the UGB, especially if we allow for higher density development.