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Homeowners compensation was mentioned. But, we know when the state/county wants your land it isn't like selling your land at a profit, It is taking what they will give you. It was said that the home/land that now has been "rezoned" already had a conservation easement of the land but was used as state URBAN land. How can an easement for conservation take over all of your land? Having an easement from a neighbor does not give the neighbor the right to take your land. You can purchase the land but when we are ready to use your land we can take it? Still leaving the homeowner to not be able to use their home as a line of equity, take the price that is offered to move off their property without making the profit of what they have put into the home and the added value to the land. Having to pay taxes on the money given to you at a lesser dollar amount than your home is worth, while being displaced.

Most compensation in situations like this is not enough to recover what has been put into the property value or possibly not enough to cover the remaining balance of a mortgage but left to pay on the taxes of what was given for the compensation that is seen as income and compensation. Could leave some in debt due to the change of the property usages.

There needs to be a clause in the plan to prevent this from being able to happen to the owner of the property.

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