

*Below are comments that Becky Tillson, Alliance Wildlands & Community Planning Associate, verbally presented at the Jan. 9, 2012, Jackson Town Council and Teton Board of County Commissioners joint information meeting regarding the Teton County Housing Authority's proposed Housing Legal Nexus Study.*

Thanks for the opportunity to comment.

We wanted to express support for the Teton County Housing Authority's proposed Housing Legal Nexus Study. The data and information included in the proposed scope is important to our ultimate ability to achieve the goals set out in the Jackson/Teton County Comprehensive Plan's housing chapter. It will also tie in to the broader goal of housing our workforce locally, and managing future growth and development.

In addition, we are very supportive of the proactive nature of this study, and applaud the Jackson Town Council and Teton Board of County Commissioners, as well as the Housing Authority, for taking the initiative to implement this study prior to the adoption of the Comp Plan. It is a great example of the type of research and data collection that will be necessary on a variety of topics both before the Comp Plan is adopted and in the year or so after.

Thank you for considering this issue.