

Letters to the Editor for Sept. 9, 2014

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Learn the facts

Larry Keen attacked Plum Creek for its approach to planning for the future use of the land it owns in Alachua County (column, Aug. 23).

Plum Creek's plan puts 87 percent of its property into permanent conservation while limiting development to only about 7,600 acres. The plan has the potential to create a diverse economic base that our region desperately needs.

Keen also attacked Plum Creek for supporting local nonprofits and economic development initiatives as a way to merely win support. I know the individuals who work for Plum Creek and have served by their sides in the community. They care deeply about our collective community, and they are invested in the success of our region.

I urge residents to learn the facts about what Plum Creek is seeking to accomplish. We have a chance right now to shape the direction of our community and our economy for the next 50 years.

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