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Hi San Juan Planning Commission!

I signed on to Docket 19-0002 and fully support our request for an in-depth buildout and impact analysis because I care deeply about San Juan County and want to see it thrive. I am severely disappointed that I did not receive notice that Docket 19-0002 was to be discussed at the May 17th meeting and I am not available to attend in person as a result of this short notice. Public engagement is super important. How can we improve this process?

I totally get that the Comprehensive Plan is a BEAST of a project. It's HUGE and a tall order to plan out all the details...BUT, I think we can all agree that planning in alignment with the desires of San Juan Islanders is what your job is all about. It is imperative that the needs and desires of our residents *and* the environment are honored, adequately assessed, and sufficiently planned for. It sucks to feel unheard and disregarded, but that's totally how it feels when the public is continually left out of the loop of important decisions affecting our collective future.

The Growth Management Act requires the Comprehensive Plan to be internally consistent. A build out and impact analysis is ESSENTIAL for wise planning. Current buildout is NOT consistent with the Vision Statement. Let's change this!

Please please please recommend that Docket 19-0002 be given high priority and urge the Council to take action. This is sooo important. What do we have to lose? We will gain soooo much insight that will, in turn, create greater unity and earn the public's confidence in the comp plan process.

How can we plan adequately if we don't have a clear view of what we're working with? Please don't allow the the Comp Plan to be rushed through without adequate assessment of build out and a non-biases impact analysis.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

**Natalie Menacho**

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