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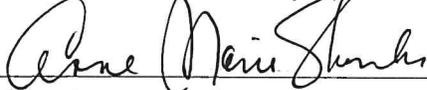
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Comprehensive Plan Text/SJC Code* Amendment Request

*San Juan County Code Titles 15, 16 & 18
 (Annual Docket)

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This request is for a text amendment to the Comprehensive Plan or development regulations, not a comprehensive plan map amendment. I understand that this request will be reviewed according to the County's annual docket process.



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Anne Marie Shanks

 Printed Name

2/26/20

 Date



 Signature

Janet Alderton

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Please Describe the Proposed Amendments (attach additional pages if you need more space):



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1. Comprehensive Plan - Describe proposed amendment and/or attach proposed text changes. List Comprehensive plan section, page numbers, title and policies proposed for amendment.

In the Comprehensive Plan, Section B, Element 6, 2020-02-10 Transportation Element please eliminate the following language:

Section 6.2.B, page 8, Goal 9-

To work with state and federal legislatures to create international ports of entry on Lopez and Orcas Island.

Section 6.3.A, page 14, Air Transportation

Goals #3. Explore the establishment of new ports of entry in Eastsound and Lopez Village Urban Growth Areas.

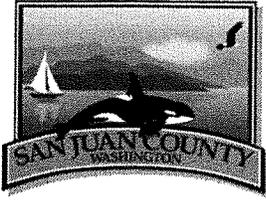
Please amend these goals and policies

Section 6.4. A-1-10 page 16 Marine Transportation Goals and Policies

#e. Encourage the development of privately owned and operated passenger only *electric* ferries that would provide transportation between the county islands and the mainland and Canadian destinations. *International travel will only be through the ports of entry on San Juan Island.*

2. San Juan County Code Title 15, Title 16 or Title 18. Describe proposed amendment and/or attach proposed text changes. List code sections proposed for amendment.

The amendments do not impact Title 15, Title 16 or Title 18.



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3. Why is the amendment being proposed?

The elimination of Section B, Element 6, 2020-02-10 Transportation Element Section 6.2.B Goal 9 (page 8) and Air Transportation Goal.3.A (page 14) is proposed because:

The Port of Friday Harbor and Roche Harbor on San Juan Island currently provide entry for international visitors. These ports are only busy for three out of the 12 months each year.

These goals and policies are redundant. They increase federal government employees, additional infrastructure and congestion on two additional islands. Currently locals and visitors can take the inter-island ferry to access the other islands when traveling internationally.

The proposed policies and goals will increase noise and pollution at the airports, which on Orcas is surrounded by neighborhoods.

The Marine Transportation Goals and Policies 6.4.A 1-10 (page 16) should be amended to say: International passengers will enter the United States through the ports on San Juan Island.

4. How is the proposed amendment consistent with the Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70A), Comprehensive Plan and development regulations?

The proposed amendments reduce sprawl in the San Juan Islands by keeping the main international ports on San Juan Island reducing pressures on our fragile natural resources and protecting the environment from additional noise and pollution. The proposal also reduces pressure on our shoreline management.



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5. Does this proposal impact an Urban Growth Area (UGA)? Lopez Village, Eastsound and the Town of Friday Harbor are the only UGAs in the County.

- Yes, indicate UGA _____
- No
These amendments will reduce the impact on the two UGAs.

6. Does this proposal increase population or employment capacity? The proposed amendment will help reduce over tourism, and maintain the ports on San Juan Island.