

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Wednesday, June 16, 2021 1:03 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: Docket Request 21-0003 support

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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Dear Lynda,

As Orcas Island homeowners, local farmers, and concerned/engaged citizens of this rural community, we are writing to support **Docket Request 21-0003 in the strongest possible terms. It is critical that the county accurately and deliberately determines the maximum population of the county and demonstrates how that population is consistent with the county Vision Statement.** Such an analysis must include a clear-eyed, honest, and complete accounting of the reasonable limitations of all resources that make the island habitable to any of us, including non-human life (wildlife, plants, trees, shoreline habitats). **Also critical is the preservation and honoring of treaty rights and lifeways of the Indigenous tribes that call our islands home.** It is almost impossible to imagine that 'full buildout capacity' as it currently stands would be anything less than apocalyptic to all life on this island. If this is in fact not true, and the island is capable to increasing its year round population by tenfold, it is incumbent on the Planning Commission to prove to the rest of us that this is absolutely true.

No reliable, respectful, or respectable planning can be done at this point until such a buildout analysis is completed, and reported back to all community stakeholders. Not undertaking this process--weighty and challenging as it may be--and continuing to issue permits without limit, is a dereliction of your duty and will have consequences to future generations far beyond us all here on this Island now.

Sincerely and with thanks for your efforts,
Norris Carlson