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Dear Commissioners,

This summer has been CRAZY with both visitors and extreme heat. Aside from the high turn-over of endless sort-term rentals (stripping our precious water supplies), the heat has dried our fields and forests to tender.

Seriously! This is not a tenable situation! This is CRAZY and dangerous. Lopez has become a zoo! Your decisions NOW will decide the fate of our future. My husband has lived here since the mid-60's (he is 80) I have lived here since early 1980. We have always promoted simple living as a way of saving the environment. Vacation rentals are all about profit over a functioning, balanced, sustainable way to inhabit any given environment but especially on this small rock in the sea.

My husband has had medical issues that have been very challenging when we have to fight our way onto a ferry both coming and going even if they are "Lopez Only". Maybe it's a more appealing plan to just make it impossible for modest income homeowners and old folks to live on Lopez...then, it could become solely a retreat for the wealthy.

Or maybe it will take a wildfire to make us think.

Sincerely,

Irene Skyriver