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Dear San Juan County leadership,

I am writing to object to any expansion of short-term rentals on Lopez Island. As it is now, members of our local population are unable to find long-term housing. Residents are living in cars and tents. They are sleeping on sofas and parking RVs in backyards. Lopez Island cannot accommodate more visitors without ensuring there is safe, affordable, available long-term housing for the people who live here year round. Even now we have restaurants that cannot open because there are not enough people available to staff the restaurants. The staff are not here because there is not affordable housing available. Adding more vacation rentals ensures that this housing crisis will continue. Please don't do it.

Thank you.

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