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Hello,

We have spent the last ten years visiting friends and family on the island and are opposed to the vacation permit cap.

We understand the need for limitations and restraint, but the current vitriol as it relates to renters is unfounded. When we visit the island, we adhere to the speed limits, we support local businesses and restaurants - we add to not detract from what makes Orcas great.

We are in the process of trying to purchase a home on Orcas with the goals of retiring on the island down the road. That said, we would need to partially rent in order to afford this opportunity. Capping the permits at 200+ as of July 2021 seems extremely unfair to those of us who don't have permits yet and creates a real estate advantage to the homes that already have permits.

Finally, the current proposal of capping at 200 overlooks a major issue On the list of current active rentals on Orcas, some LLCs and companies own 10+ properties and have multiple permits. That seems like an opportunity to reduce permits. Why should one person or LLC be allowed to own so many VR permits? Perhaps 2 or 3 but not 5, 8, 10! There are many ways to reduce rentals without cutting off the opportunity for new permits.

Thanks in advance and we hope to see a positive resolution to this issue.

Best,  
Victoria

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