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Dear Planning Commission,

Thank you for unanimously voting for a vacation rental cap! You will be reviewing the county planning recommendations regarding the cap this Friday. I have read the memo and think it is well reasoned except for the proposed date of setting the cap based on active/compliant permits which when the ordinance is passed. I think this will result in a flood of applications prior to enactment of the cap. An alternate non-arbitrary date would be August 20, 2021 when the full commission voted for the cap. We are already way beyond the comfort level of vacation rentals on Orcas!

There is some fear mongering and false information regarding the impact of a cap. It should be made clear that the cap would not affect existing permits and only limit new applications.

Thank you for your consideration!

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