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DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING

As shoreline property owners we are very disturbed by the direction being taken by the County Council and planning staff in redrafting of the Shoreline Management Ordinance. We built our home following all the county requirements for setbacks from the shoreline and permits for construction. Now our home is about to be declared a "nonconforming use" because the Council intends to establish an extensive shoreline critical area and 150 foot or wider buffer designation. From the scientific studies we have seen, there is no reason for these buffers.

The Council plans to restrict the use of our property and our home from what had been previously allowed as a fully approved and permitted shoreline use. County "approval" depends on being able to meet a "no net loss" of functions and values of the designated critical areas and buffers. By definition, if we alter any of the existing "natural" conditions a net loss will occur. How are we supposed to satisfy or "mitigate" a "loss" on our property; the same property that we are not being allowed to alter? We have been told our property is "grandfathered in". What does that legally mean and for how long does this designation last?

It would appear the County is spending hundreds of thousands of our tax dollars attempting to prove the need for new restrictions. Where are the documented facts that show any shoreline homes like ours that was permitted under the existing rules for setbacks, storm water management, septic requirements and limited lot footprint, causing any problems what so ever for our marine waters?

Furthermore, what studies have been done to show the economic impact on the county as a result of these restrictive measures, not only on nonconforming use but also wet lands management.

And, what has happened to COMMON SENSE, PERSONAL PROPERTY RIGHTS, AND FREEDOM? We would urge the county council to put this to a vote of the people. We should be the ones to decide if we want to live under such extreme regulations.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

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SAN JUAN COUNTY
RESPONSE TO SHORELINE INVENTORY REPORT

See: http://sanjuanco.com/CDP/docs/SMP/SJC_Shoreline_Inventory_and_Characterization_Report_January_2012_Final.pdf

PROPERTY OWNERS: Donald O. + Marilyn E. Myers

STREET ADDRESS 924 Olga Rd Eastsound, Wa 98245

MAIL ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT _____

If checked Please add our e-mail to the contact list for future shoreline proceedings

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TAX PARCEL NUMBER(S) 272450009000

ISLAND Orcas

MANAGEMENT AREA 35B Olga

REACH NUMBER 58 (FROM MAP index 37)

PROPERTY CONTEXT –Broad scale **Attachment 1**

(Google Earth or Map quest showing reach or general context 1/4-1/2 mile or so)

PROPERTY CONTEXT (Close Scale) **Attachment 2**

(Google Earth or Map quest showing site and adjoining properties)

(If you can scale setbacks from structures and elements of the built environment including lawns, garden patio's etc onto the photo—So much the better)

EXISTING DEVELOPMENT ON THE PROPERTY **Attachment 3**

A series of Photo's

At the shoreline showing the current condition (include physical characteristics of the shoreline and both retained native vegetation and elements of the built environment improvements to include docks, bulkheads, walkways trails etc) both high and low tide photo's

At the home or business showing the current condition (include photo's of the house setting in relationship to the shoreline, other structures, lawns, patios, places of shoreline access for people, boats other improvements For commercial uses make sure the totality of the site use is properly characterized)

Does the discussion of the Reach properly reflect your property location, setting and context.

Yes , NO (Refer to reach characteristics in the text and appendices)

If not why not. _____

Does the site and adjacent shoreline contain any of the "Nearshore Key habitats and species area (identified on pp 61-76)

NO

YES _____ please specify _____

IS YOUR PARCEL LISTED AS A POTENTIALLY NONCONFORMING LOT BY REASON OF A STRUCTURE WITHIN 50 FEET OF THE SHORELINE (Map 35 A, B or C)

NO

YES _____

IF YES, DOES THE CHARACTERIZATION IDENTIFY ANY SPECIFIC HARM THE EXISTING STRUCTURE(S) IS/ARE CAUSING ON THE EXISTING SHORELINE CONDITION OR HABITAT? **(MAKE SURE YOU CHECK THE APPENDICES)**

NO _____

YES _____ AT PAGE(S) _____

DO THE PHOTOGRAPHS ATTACHED REFLECT THE EXISTING CONDITION AT YOUR SITE?

YES

NO _____

DOES THE INVENTORY REPORT IDENTIFY ANY SCIENTIFIC BASIS FOR MAKING YOUR PROPERTY A NONCONFORMING USE? **(MAKE SURE YOU CHECK THE APPENDICES)**

NO

YES _____ AT PAGE(S) _____

WHAT IS THE AVERAGE LOT SIZE ON THE SHORELINE IN THE AREA OF YOUR PROPERTY?

____ Less than one acre, one acre to less than five acres _____, five acres and over

WHAT IS THE PROPERTY'S CURRENT SHORELINE DESIGNATION?

URBAN _____, RURAL , CONSERVANCY _____ NATURAL _____

WHAT IS THE CURRENT GMA COMPREHENSIVE PLAN DESIGNATION AND ZONING FOR YOUR PROPERTY? (MAPS ON FILE WITH COUNTY

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN Rural residential

ZONING _____

DOES YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD FIT THE CRITERIA FOR A RESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY CENTER AS DEFINED IN THE 2010 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

Residential Activity Centers are residential areas that have existing development patterns more dense than one unit per five acres, some portion of which is served by non-rural levels of capital facilities or services.

YES _____

NO

IF YES, DOES THE SHORELINE INVENTORY REPORT ACCURATELY REFLECT THE RESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY CENTER CHARACTERISTIC AND SHORELINE RESIDENTIAL MANAGEMENT GOALS IN CHARACTERIZING YOUR REACH.

YES _____

NO _____

OTHER COMMENTS AND OBSERVATIONS ATTACHED

THE UNDERSIGNED PROPERTY OWNERS REQUEST THAT THE MATERIALS SUBMITTED HERewith BE INCORPORATED INTO THE COUNTY INVENTORY AND CHARACTERIZATION REPORTS TO MORE ACCURATELY REFLECT THE CHARACTERIZATION OF THE SHORELINE ABUTTING OUR PROPERTY.

(CHECK IF APPROPRIATE) _____ AND

THAT THE COUNTY SPECIFICALLY IDENTIFY AND DESIGNATE OUR AREA AS A RESIDENTIAL ACTIVITY CENTERS UNDER GMA AS PROVIDED IN THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH THE SHORELINE DESIGNATION PROCESS.

OWNERS SIGN

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To see all the details that are visible on the screen, use the "Print" link next to the map.





Waterfront picnic area



View from upper patio to water



Waterfront South view



Waterfront Patio



View from lower
picnic area to house



Steps + path to picnic area