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**Subject:** FW: Please vote on May 15th to move the SMP on to Ecology for their review  
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**From:** lisa macchio [mailto:[lisamacchio@msn.com](mailto:lisamacchio@msn.com)]  
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**To:** Council  
**Subject:** Please vote on May 15th to move the SMP on to Ecology for their review

Council Members;

I'm writing to urge you to stop tinkering with the SMP. Please vote on May 15th to send the draft SMP on to the Washington Department of Ecology for their review.

As a member of one of the citizen committees (Vegetation Management and Buffers) that worked on developing the draft SMP and also a member of the citizen task force which worked on the designations in the draft SMP I can tell you from experience that a significant number of compromises were made along the way to accommodate the desires of a limited number of shoreline property owners. These few shoreline property owners are unwilling to accept the fact that environmental protections are a necessary component of our shoreline regulations.

I have worked at the Environmental Protection Agency for 23 years overseeing and reviewing state implementation of the Clean Water Act and state regulations developed consistent with the mandates and goals of the Clean Water Act. I have a great deal of expertise with respect to science and policy issues related to surface water quality and the necessary protections provided through state regulations. I am also an EPA diver that has spent over 20 years diving in Puget Sound, including in and around Bainbridge Island. So I have first hand/direct experience in seeing the changes that have occurred in our Puget Sound waters as a result of increasing populations and development in the Puget Sound Region. We all need to do a better job at protecting our collective home.

Alot of time and many hours have been spent by citizens, staff and management in the planning department, the Planning Commission and yourselves on developing the current draft SMP. The current draft SMP falls short of having the necessary environmental

protections that would provide adequate protection to the Puget Sound waters around our Island. However, I am more than willing to accept compromise in the name of getting our SMP completed and finished. I am hopeful that I will be around in 8 years so that I can be involved in doing it again... and will put in the time and energy to once again work with my neighbors and friends in an effort to do it better.

There has been enough tweaking and weakening of the draft SMP through the changes made by the Planning Commission and the changes you all have made to the draft SMP.

Please resist the desire to further accommodate a small number of shoreline property owners who will not agree to any kind of reasonable environmental regulations. You will never appease their need.

Enough already!!! - SEND IT ON!

Lisa Macchio