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Attachments: 3 - Shoreline Armoring.pdf; 4 - Docks & Floats.pdf; 4 - Docks etc. DOE Handbook.pdf

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Dear Council Members,

I have attached two, one-page documents with input from RW Thorpe and Associates to Bainbridge Shoreline Homeowners about the two BIG Problems with the SMP update that you will be addressing this evening. The third document is referenced in the memo concerning Docks & Floats. It is taken from the Department of Ecology's DOE Handbook.

We thank you for the time it takes to review and consider these documents.

Ken Sethney, Board Member
Bainbridge Shoreline Homeowners

SMP Update BIG Problem #3:

Cumbersome restrictions on shoreline armoring.

Planning Commission Recommended Regulations

6.1 Shoreline Modifications Provisions & 6.2 Shoreline Stabilization (Pages 188-201)

Perceived Problem/Impact

Eliminating or prohibiting the construction and restoration of bulkheads endanger private investment in land as well as structures.

Appurtenant Structures should be given the same protection as primary structures

Recommended Change

Regulations shall provide for methods which achieve effective and timely protection against loss or damage to single-family residences and appurtenant structures due to shoreline erosion.

Allow armoring when voluntary design measures are put in place that allow for adequate beach nourishment, water drainage and vegetation enhancement.

Examples of Recommendation

There have been no adopted programs that promote or encourage the use of hard stabilization, although Burien has included such a requirement in their SMP Update. In most cases, bulkheads may be replaced and new ones are only allowed in certain circumstances; similar to Bainbridge Island's proposal.

SMP Update BIG Problem #4:

A reluctance to permit docks and floats.

Planning Commission Recommended Regulations

6.3 Overwater Structures (Pages 202-214)

Perceived Problem/Impact

The Goal of Overwater Structures should not be to limit the number and size of docks, floats and piers.

Conflicting or compounding regulations with the US Army Corp of Engineers Standards,

The proposed SMP Update does not encourage recreational uses in residential areas.

Recommended Change

Restate the Goal that allows for an adequate balance of recreational opportunities with minimal impacts to ecological functions. The SMP Update should welcome docks and floats to encourage recreation.

The SMP Update should adopt existing US Corp of Engineers Standards for size and location of docks, piers, and floats and implement new regulations only where existing regulations are insufficient to comply with SMP Guidelines.

Allow single use docks for single family residential lots.

Examples of Recommendation

Department of Ecology Shoreline Master Program Handbook